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PARIS PROSECUTORS RAID X OFFICES OVER CHILD ABUSE IMAGES, DEEPFAKES

The search at the offices of Elon Musk's social media platform was part of a preliminary probe into a range of offences, including child porn

CHARGES INCLUDE DENIAL OF THE HOLOCAUST

The investigation was opened in January last year by the cybercrime unit. It is looking into alleged "complicity" in possession and spreading of pornographic images of minors, sexually explicit deepfakes, denial of the Holocaust—which is a crime in France—and manipulation of an automated data processing system as part of an organised group, among other charges

MUSK SUMMONED FOR 'INTERVIEW' ON APR 20

- In addition, the Paris prosecutors have sought "voluntary interviews" of Musk and Linda Yaccarino, former CEO of X, on April 20
- The investigation was first opened following reports by a French lawmaker alleging that biased algorithms on X were likely to have distorted the functioning of an automated data processing system

DENIED THE CHARGES AND TERMED THE INVESTIGATION 'POLITICALLY MOTIVATED'

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BIG DEAL

Sensex soars 2,072 points, investors richer by ₹12 lakh cr

The equity markets gave a thumbs up to the US tariff cut with the Sensex zooming 2,072 points and the broader Nifty closing above 25,700 on Tuesday. Stock investors' wealth surged by ₹12.10 lakh crore following the sharp rally in equities in response to the positive news | **P15**

No word from India yet on halting oil purchases: Russia

Russia has not heard any statement from India about stopping Russia oil purchases, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said. He added that Russia will continue to develop its relations with India. Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Novak said that Kremlin is closely monitoring the situation

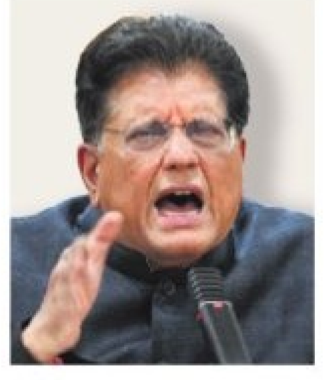
Jt statement soon, not opening up agri, dairy to US: Goyal

PUSHPITA DEY @ New Delhi

INDIA's sensitive sectors, including agriculture and dairy, will remain protected under the trade deal with the US, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said on Tuesday.

"Interests of farmers have been safeguarded. There has been no compromise on sensitive sectors like dairy and agriculture," Goyal said, adding that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has consistently paid attention to the welfare of stakeholders in these sectors.

Goyal's clarification came after US Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins claimed in a social media post that the new deal would allow exports of more American farm products to India's massive market, thus lifting prices and pumping cash into rural America.



A commerce ministry official said that no new items of agriculture will be allowed to be imported; the deal will include only some products that are currently allowed, such as dry fruits.

On Monday, Trump announced that the US tariff on Indian goods would be cut from 25% to 18%. He said Washington would also remove the additional 25% tariff imposed on New Delhi as a penalty for buying Russian oil.

Trump also said India has agreed to $500 billion worth of imports from the US. In a clarification, India's commerce ministry said the $500 billion imports would be spread over five years, primarily driven by imports for India's data centres and global capability centres. Thus, imports from US could touch $100 billion annually — up from $45.62 billion merchandise imports in 2024.

Goyal said the deal will open up huge opportunities for India's labour-intensive sectors. A joint statement is likely this week followed by a fact sheet. According to sources, as of now only the framework addressing the tariff challenges has been negotiated.

Quad gets lifeline, Trump may visit India this year

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

EVEN as the fine print of the India-US trade deal is awaited, key political and strategic doors appear to be opening from the revival of Quad momentum to the possibility of US President Donald Trump visiting India later this year.

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and US Secretary of State Marco Rubio are set to hold talks in Washington, DC on Tuesday at 3.30 pm EST (around 2 am IST on Wednesday), amid heightened anticipation over the India–US trade deal.

At the heart of the announcement is Trump's claim that India's "reciprocal tariff" rate would be reduced from 25% to 18% under the deal. White House sources have also indicated that the additional 25% duty imposed on India in August for purchasing Russian oil would be eliminated.

However, as of now, there is no executive order, legally required for tariff changes to take effect.

New Delhi, for its part, has remained cautious. There has been no formal response to Trump's assertion that India has stopped buying Russian oil, and officials are waiting for the Office of the US Trade Representative to share the detailed contours of the agreement.

The proposed 18% headline tariff places India in a relatively favourable position compared to competitors Vietnam, Bangladesh, Malaysia, and China. But experts say the real impact will depend on the fine print.

"Purchase of oil is largely left to the companies and many of them are in the private sector. They will purchase oil which is most cost-competitive," said ex-foreign secretary and Rajya Sabha MP Harsh Vardhan Shringla.

Karnataka govt moves resolution seeking repeal of VB-G RAM G

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka government on Tuesday moved a resolution in the Assembly to get the Union Government to repeal the Viksit Bharat-Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G) Act and reinstate the UPA-era Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) in its original form.

Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah moved the resolution amid stiff opposition from the Opposition members, who created a ruckus in the House.

Siddaramaiah, who tabled the resolution, stated that the House reiterated the idea of the Panchayati system and also the decentralisation of power.

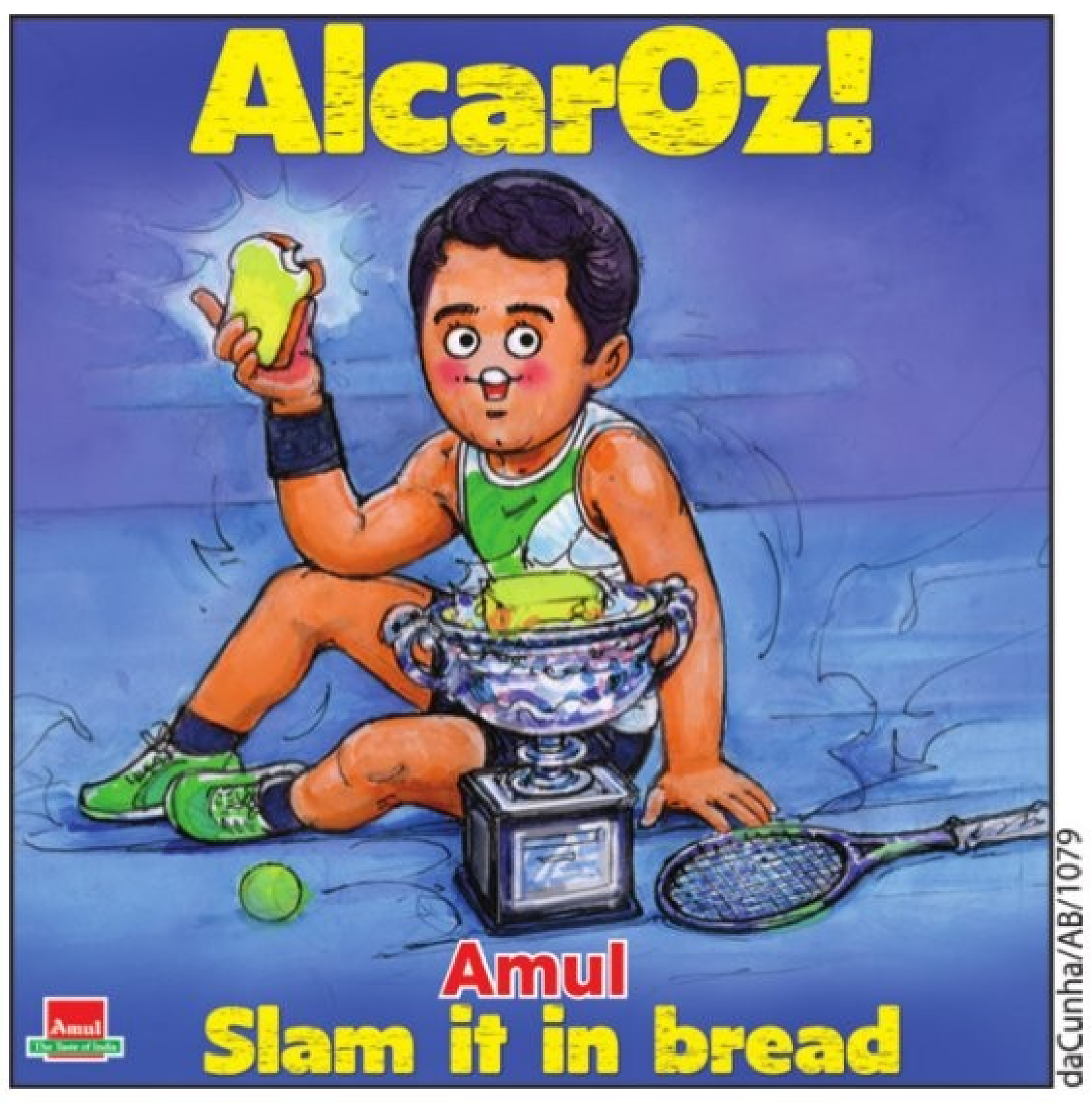
"MGNREGA was a lifeline of the poor, and the House takes serious note of revoking it. This action has been done unilaterally by the Central government, and this will put a clip on people's right," the resolution read.

The resolution further states that the new legislation infringes upon the rights to life and livelihood under Article 21 of the Constitution.

MORE ON P4

'Financial stress'

The CM said states will face financial stress due to VB-G RAM G, as the Centre-state share has been reworked to 60:40. In MGNREGA, the Centre-state ratio was 90:10, he added **P4**



LS suspends eight 'unruly' Opposition MPs

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

WITH the face-off between the government and the Opposition sharpened over blocking Leader of Opposition Rahul Gandhi from speaking in the Lok Sabha on the Sino-Indian border issue, seven Congress members and one CPI-M MP were suspended on Tuesday for 'throwing papers' at the Chair.

The suspended members are Gurjeet Singh Aujla, Hibi Eden, C Kiran Kumar Reddy, Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, Manickam Tagore, Prashant Padole and Dean Kuriakose (all Congress) and S Ventakesan (CPI-M).

There was a massive uproar after Rahul was stopped by the Chair from continuing with his reference to an article on former Army Chief Gen M M Naravane's unpublished memoir in his reply to the Motion of Thanks to the President's Address. He resumed his speech after authenticating the magazine article with the Chair.

While he tried to address the points without directly quoting the article, Krishna Prasad Tenneti, who was in the chair, objected and called the names of the next speakers from the Opposition side. However, the Opposition members refused to speak. Amid the chaos, the House was then adjourned till 3 pm as Opposition members protested, raising slogans and throwing papers.

Earlier, though Speaker Om Birla called a meeting of the Opposition and the treasury benchs to break the deadlock, it did not yield any result. Both sides remained firm on their stance regarding Rahul's reference to the article quoting Gen Naravane.

As soon as the House met at 3 pm, Dilip Saikia, who was in the Chair, named the eight 'unruly' members. Parliamentary Affairs Minister Kiren Rijiju then read out a resolution seeking their suspension for the remaining period of the Budget session. The resolution was passed by a voice vote.

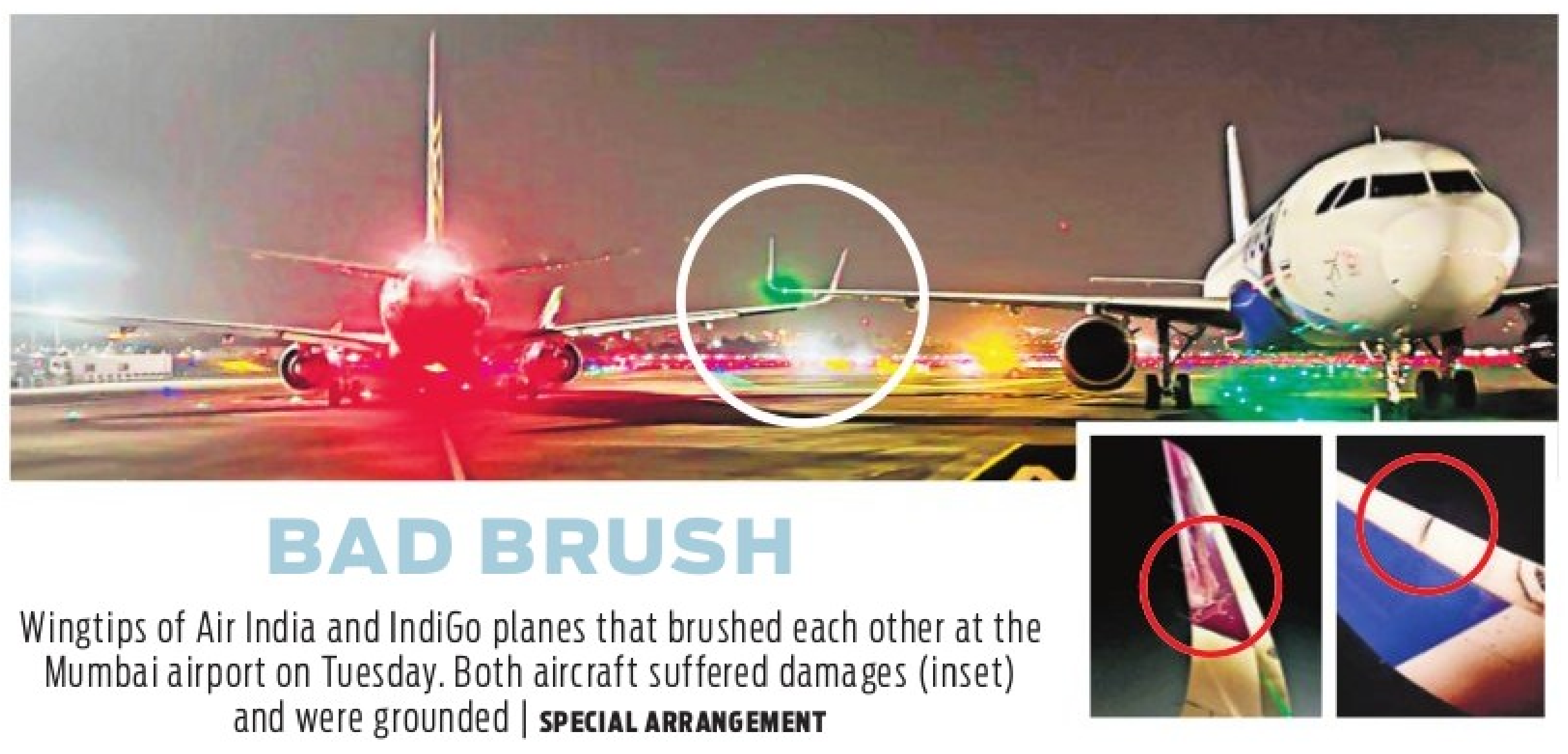
Martial artist to be Manipur CM

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

MARTIAL artist-turned-politician **Yumnam Khemchand Singh** (62) of BJP is set to become the chief minister of Manipur. The swearing-in could take place on Wednesday.

The state's BJP MLAs, who met in New Delhi on Tuesday, elected Khemchand — a two-time MLA, former minister and former assembly speaker representing Singjamei in Imphal valley — as the BJP legislature party leader.

Khemchand's election signalled the withdrawal of President's rule that was imposed on February 13 last year for six months and later, extended by another six months. It will expire on February 13.It remains to be seen if the 10 Kuki-Zo MLAs, including seven from BJP, will participate in the government. The Kuki-Zo community has stuck to its guns on the Union Territory with separate legislature demand.



BAD BRUSH

Wingtips of Air India and IndiGo planes that brushed each other at the Mumbai airport on Tuesday. Both aircraft suffered damages (inset) and were grounded | SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

EXPRESS READ

Can't play with Indians' data, SC tells Meta

NEW DELHI: Expressing concern over data sharing by social media platforms WhatsApp and Meta, the Supreme Court came down heavily on the companies, saying, "You can't play with the right to privacy in this country" **P11**

A modern touch to Murgod's green bangles

TUSHAR A MAJUKAR @ Belagavi

MURGOD village in Belagavi's Saundatti taluk is breathing new life into its centuries-old tradition of crafting distinctive green glass bangles. The village is now on course to becoming the country's second state-of-the-art bangle manufacturing centre after Firozabad in Uttar Pradesh—and the first of its kind in the southern part of the country.

Despite stiff competition from modern and fancy designs, the demand for Murgod's traditional, unbroken glass bangles remains strong. In a bid to sustain and expand this heritage craft, local youth have formed the Murgod Bangle Production Foundation and submitted a proposal for a modern manufacturing project.

Members of the Murgod Bangle Production Foundation engaged in making bangles

Responding positively, the Karnataka cabinet has approved five acres on the outskirts of the village under a 35-year lease agreement.

Under the new project, the existing wood-fired kilns will be replaced with advanced gas-fired technology. This transition is expected to significantly improve both production speed and product quality while also making the process more efficient. **P7**

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- **Wednesday:** 04.02.2026 • **Year:** Vishwavasu • **Ayana:** Uttharayana
- **Ritu:** Sishir • **Masa:** Magha • **Paksha:** Krishna • **Tithi:** Thrutheeya 1.41 am
- **Nakshatra:** Purvphalguni 11.56 pm • Moon in Kanya Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30pm
- **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER

MIN	MAX
12°C	30 °C

FORECAST
Sunny

Sunrise	06.45 am
Sunset	06.21 pm
Moonrise	20.40 pm
Moonset	08.25 am

SHORT FLYOVER TO COME UP NEAR IBLUR JN

GBA chief asks officials to draw up blueprint for project to ease Marathahalli-HSR traffic

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GBA chief Maheshwar Rao during an inspection at Iblur Junction on Tuesday

GREATER Bengaluru Authority (GBA) Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao instructed officials to prepare a blueprint for constructing an additional flyover near Iblur Junction on Outer Ring Road (ORR). Rao's instruction comes in the backdrop of traffic between Marathahalli and HSR, especially near Iblur Junction. There is also a proposal to comprehensively develop the road from Silk Board Junction to KR Puram on the city's ORR.

"The construction of an additional flyover near Iblur Junction will reduce traffic congestion. I have instructed officials to prepare a blueprint to construct a flyover in a short period using new technology," he said, adding that there is a need for an 800-meter flyover near Iblur Junction. The comprehensive plan will include the estimated cost of the project, time required to complete the work, and construction model.

In coordination with Bengaluru South City Corporation (BSCC) and Bengaluru Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL), steps should be taken for comprehensive development, including the installation of High Raised Pedestrian Crossings (HRPC) at Silk Board Junction, and implementation of precautionary measures to prevent flooding, the GBA chief said.

Currently, Metro pile cap work is in progress at the junction, and officials have been instructed to complete the work quickly, without causing any disruption to vehicular traffic.

"A plan is being prepared to ease traffic congestion by developing the ORR service road and footpath. BMRCL is working on the footpath and median, and coordinating with Bengaluru Smart Infrastructure Limited (B-Smile) officials. They have been instructed to finalise the Detailed Project Report (DPR) so that ongoing works are not repeated," he added.

During inspection, Rao noted that an approximately 2km long footpath near Iblur Metro Station (from Silk Board Junction side) is not maintained in some places and is incomplete in some places, and instructed them to develop the footpath.

Corporation and traffic police officials should jointly inspect the ORR and submit a list of the number of required pedestrian overpasses (skywalks). Rao directed officials to prepare the design of the pedestrian overpasses and estimated grant required.

During inspection of ORR near Hoodi, he stated that the flyover needs to be constructed near Hoodi Circle, and land acquisition process needs to be carried out. "Acquire the land quickly and start flyover work," he directed officials.

Commissioners Ramesh KN, Ramesh DS, BMRCL Managing Director Ravi Shankar, DCPs (Traffic) Gopal M Byakoda and Sahil Bagla and other officials were present.

SUN SHIELD

As daytime temperatures rise, umbrellas and face coverings make a comeback after the winter gloom, in Bengaluru on Tuesday | **SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA**

HC upholds grant of land for PSK in Koramangala

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THE Karnataka High Court upheld the grant of a three-acre parcel of land in different survey numbers in Koramangala to the Ministry of External Affairs for the construction of a Regional Passport Office.

A division bench of Chief Justice Vibhu Bakhru and Justice C M Poonacha passed the order recently, dismissing the public interest litigation filed by Dr B R Ambedkar Youth Social and Cultural Welfare Trust.

The court noted that the three acres are under the ownership of the Public Works Department, and therefore, it was proposed to rectify the survey numbers. Accordingly, the state government passed an order, dated January 25, 2023, amending the Government Order dated November 19, 1994, to provide the details of the land of different survey numbers granted to the Ministry of External Affairs. In view of the amendment for allotting the land to the central government, the assumption on which the petition rests does not hold good. Undisputedly, the central government is occupying the land as allotted to it, the court added.

"Whilst the petitioner's concern that open lands in the city are shrinking is justified, we are unable to accept that the central government can be interdicted from utilising the land allotted to it. We may also note that no zonal plans have been produced that reflect that the subject land is a playground or an open area," the court said.

The petition was filed seeking that directions be issued to the Passport Seva Kendra to immediately demolish and remove the structures that have been raised on the land in question at Koramangala village in Begur hobli in the city, belonging to the erstwhile BBMP.

The petitioner contended that the land in question has been used as a playground for several decades by children attending schools in the immediate vicinity. It is also used by other residents of the locality, which has become increasingly congested. The central government has constructed a compound wall around the property, which effectively prevents the public, particularly children, from using the property, for which a First Information Report was also registered, the petitioner stated.

B'luru East RTO exceeds Dec revenue target

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THE Regional Transport Office (RTO), Kasthurinagar (Bengaluru East), has exceeded its monthly revenue collection target for December 2025 by Rs 43.62 crore. The office was assigned a target of Rs 85.58 crore for the month, but achieved collections amounting to Rs 129.20 crore.

Officials said this marks the first time in the last five years that the RTO has exceeded its monthly target by such a large margin. In comparison, during August 2024 in the 2024-25 financial year, the office had collected Rs 112.99 crore against a target of Rs 110.55 crore.

For the financial year 2025-26, the RTO has been given an annual revenue target of Rs 1,027 crore. The strong performance in December is seen as an indicator of the office's improved functioning under the leadership of Regional Transport Officer GP Krishnananda.

Revenue gains were primarily driven by registration tax from new vehicles, compounding fees collected in enforcement cases, tax collected from vehicles registered in other states but operating in Karnataka beyond the permissible period and various routine departmental fees and taxes, according to RTO officials.

EXTENDED WEEKEND

KIA saw highest single-day footfall of 1.4L pax on Jan 24

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THE rush of travellers arriving and exiting Bengaluru via the Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) on the last weekend of January was unprecedented. It was a long weekend beginning January 24 (Friday) until the Republic Day on January 26 (Monday). On January 24, the footfall on a single day broke the previous records at the airport, which witnessed a record footfall of around 1.4 lakh passengers. These include those who arrived into the city or left, domestic and international travellers included. The average daily footfall at KIA is around 1.2 lakh passengers.

"The rush was unprecedented. It was a challenge for the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), KIA and airline operators as the airport was on high alert between January 20 and January 30 on the occasion of Republic Day. It was teamwork at its best that day," said sources. The total number of passengers that travelled from Terminal 1 and Terminal 2 on January 24 was 83,494 and 55,593, respectively. "Higher passenger load meant pressure at every touch point. While being sensitive to the passengers, the standard operating procedures (SOPs) of the security protocol during the high alert period had to be strictly followed," added sources.

"The CISF personnel deployed at KIA along with the airport and airline operators worked in seamless collaboration and calm professionalism. Majority of the passenger load at T1 was handled by Digi Yatra. Around 40 to 50 per cent of passengers from T1 use the digital initiative coordinated by the Ministry of Civil Aviation for ease of travel," said sources.

Vidya Spoorti Academy celebrates annual day

Vidya Spoorti International Academy, Laggere, held its annual day 'Anubhava–2026'. During the event, speakers raised concern over children's increasing use of mobile phones and the resulting decline in interpersonal relationships. Bengaluru City University V-C B K Ravi said excessive screen time is becoming a behavioural issue and called on parents to pay attention not just to academic performance, but also to children's involvement in sports, cultural activities and creative pursuits. Academy founder-president Umashankar D, CEO Varun Kumar U and others were present. **ENS**

Three yrs on, mega Yeshwanthpur parking complex yet to open doors

Construction of the 10-storey parking complex at APMC Yard in Yeshwanthpur was completed in 2023 at a cost of Rs 80 crore | **VINOD KUMAR T**

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AS Bengaluru struggles with an ever-growing number of vehicles and shrinking parking space, a solution, though not a complete answer, stands unused at the Yeshwanthpur Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC) yard.

A 10-storey parking complex, located in one of the city's busiest transit and commercial hubs, remains inoperative despite its completion in 2023. The reason: The cost of making the complex operational is much higher than the returns.

According to APMC officials, work on the complex was completed in October 2023 at a cost of nearly Rs 80 crore. Tenders have been invited thrice since then to start parking operations. Tenders were first invited in January 2024, but did not attract a single bidder. Tenders were floated in July that year. Though certain conditions were revised, the firms, which attended pre-bidding meetings, backed off. Tenders were called again in March last, following consultations with officials who had managed the Freedom Park parking facility. But no bidders came forward.

Contractors consistently flagged concerns over high investments and limited financial returns. It is mandatory for them to automate and digitise the operations. This invites significant expenditure on software and hardware, including cameras, boom barriers, sensors, number-plate recognition systems, and fully digitised entry, exit and payment infrastructure. These costs, bidders argued, were difficult to recover due to capped parking fees approved by erstwhile BBMP -- Rs 25 for cars and Rs 15 for two-wheelers for one hour, with hourly slab-based increases thereafter, the officials said.

To address their concerns, an Expression of Interest was floated, seeking inputs on viable models such as fixed rent or revenue sharing. Two qualified responses were received and are now under examination by senior officials. APMC Additional Director and Secretary Doreswamy KC said the authorities are keen to operationalise the facility soon and may float tenders in the next few days, with revised annuity and profit-sharing clauses aimed at unlocking the long-idling asset.

The officials said the complex can accommodate 735 cars and 110 two-wheelers. About 40% of the parking zone is reserved for licensed traders functioning from the APMC market. The complex has 26 shops, which are in the process of being allotted to generate rental revenue.

The complex is near the metro station, railway station, market yard and an industrial area.

EXPRESS READ

12K members attend ICCSL's annual general meeting in city

The Indian Co-operative Credit Society Limited (ICCSL) recently convened an annual general body meeting in Bengaluru, with a turnout of around 12,000 members from five states and two union territories. The meeting was inaugurated by joint registrar of the Co-operative Societies Law Cell (Govt of K'taka) Suresh Gowda. The general body unanimously passed seven key agendas. ICCSL chairman Dr. Sojan V. Avirachan said that ICCSL with a membership base of 10L cooperators, have already disbursed Rs 1,800cr in pre-maturity payouts during the last fiscal year. New branches are set to open in Maharashtra, Gujarat, Goa, MP, UP, and Daman & Diu. **ENS**

Horoscopes By Holiday

HOLIDAY MATHIS

04th February : No Consolation Is "consolation prize" an oxymoron? You're not consoled by a prize that you didn't win. And to you, showing up isn't something that needs an external reward because it's the very baseline of what we're supposed to do. That's life. This industrious Virgo moon is a return to intrinsic motivation, which is enough. As for the big prize, it's only fun to get when it's earned.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You want to know you've made a difference. Today's endeavor might just be the answer because it's an opportunity to serve people what they need. The job may pay you, but it's not about the money.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 - May 20)
As much as you wish people would understand you in real time, it will probably take a beat. Expect the lag and know the right audience will catch up to you eventually.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 21)
When the world gets noisy, you get quiet -- not aloof, not superior, just grounded. You won't feel compelled to fix anything or defend anyone. People will be who they are. It doesn't have to destabilize your own footing.

CANCER (June 22 - July 22)
You can hear confessions, complaints or even jabs without flinching at all because you know that information is simply information. What others say is usually more about them than you. You have strong emotional boundaries and social maturity.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You already know coping skills that help your mindset. You have insight, gratitude, rituals and regulation techniques. But right now, it's not about using your mind to feel better. You need structural changes that stop life from demanding more of you than it returns.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
You value social integrity and will leave interactions clean. No regrets for oversharing, no silent resentments and no replaying conversations wondering what was right or wrong. You simply observe, register what matters and move on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)
You won't catch everything the first time around, and this is a good thing. If you did, there would be no reason to return. The return visit, the afterthought, the follow-up -- that's where it all starts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)
To some, "nirvana" suggests bliss. More literally, it refers to the extinguishing of the mental fires that cause suffering. Today's happiness comes from loosening your grip on an unhappy idea.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Doing your favorite activities with talented people is a sweet treat, but you could make it a regular fixture in your life. Making your self-development and joy a top priority in whatever way you can will improve much more than a few hours of your day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
You're chasing something fast and wild, which makes you incredibly hard to pin down. People would love to have your attention, your work, your commitment and more, but this just isn't the time. You need spontaneity and freedom.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Your ambition is a feature, not a flaw. It's a form of optimism that calls a meeting with your strategic mind, your discipline, abilities and tenacious attitude. The pow wow culminates in confidence and, ultimately, success.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - Mar 20)
Could someone else do your job or fill your role in a relationship? Maybe. But no one has your voice, style, timing or appetites. It's what you want that matters today. The more you follow these cravings, the more original you'll be.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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8	3	5	4	2	9	6	1	7
7	9	4	3	1	6	5	2	8

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TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

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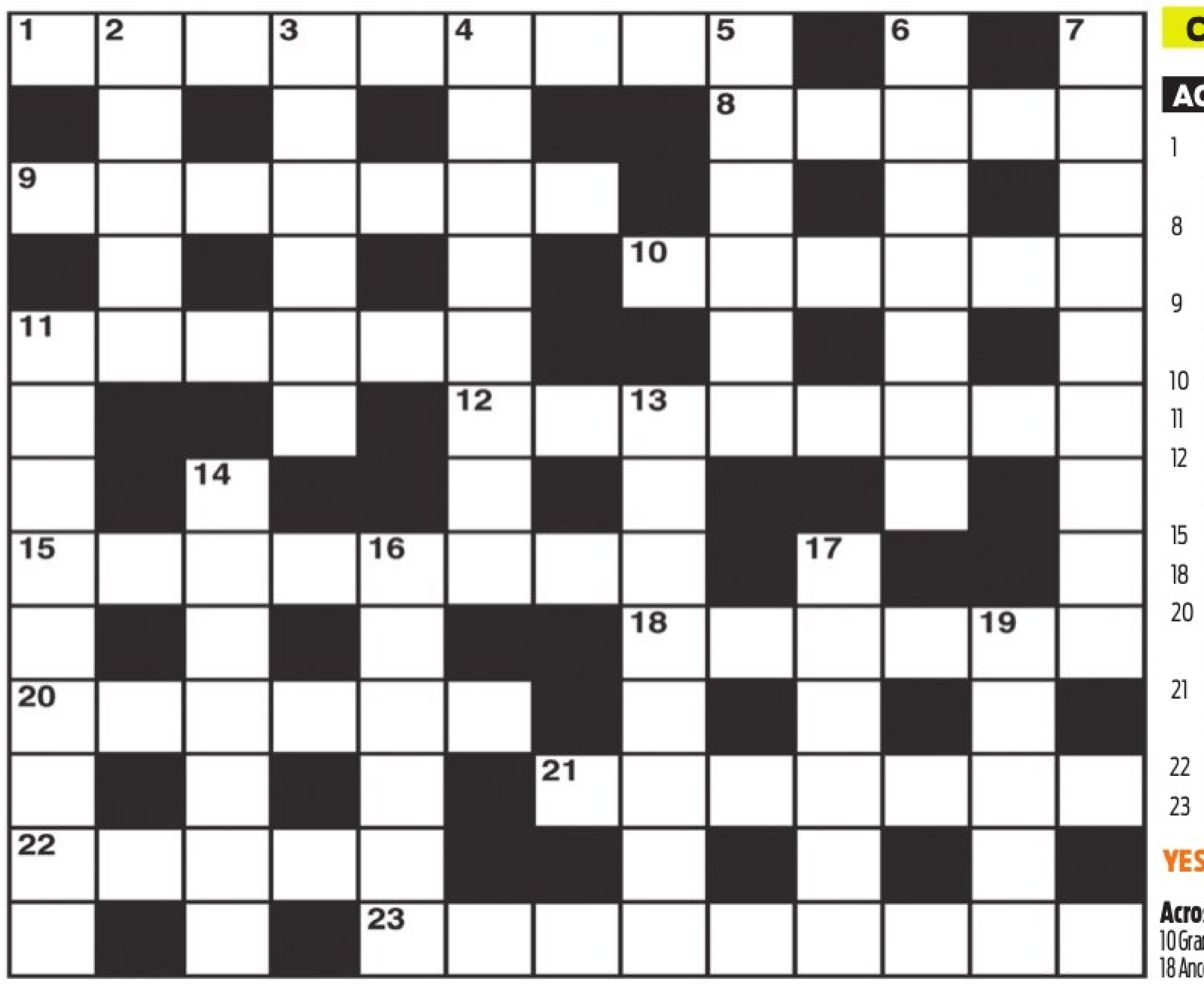

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Thought broadcast item dated (9)
8 Could be there even if one's unconscious of it (5)
9 Traitor returned twice to the East. What a sauce! (7)
10 Provided one's name is indicated (6)
11 Made mock and was jailed (4,2)
12 Any sails may be subject to breakdown (8)
15 Treading slippery slope (8)
18 Level with the Spanish team (6)
20 Pot red by mistake - it's too much! (2,4)
21 Making mock of the outdoor life? (7)
22 Showing love for a musical drama (5)
23 Articles I ordered to be true to life (9)

DOWN

2 Stimulate with elevating tale; an eye-opener (5)
3 It's completely in Latin (2,4)
4 It's under a country's jurisdiction though over it (8)
5 Daniel is upset by a contradiction (6)
6 Oriental church in newly developed see (7)
7 He's set up shop as cook and master (9)
11 A good place to see the stars come out (5,4)
13 Nevertheless last (5,3)
14 Had tree replaced safe from lightning (7)
16 It connects similar pressure points (6)
17 Politician in lost test case appeals (6)
19 It shows no interest is offered (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Drawing, 4 Drops, 7 Item, 8 Keeps mum, 10 Graduation, 12 Relate, 13 Pagoda, 15 Herbalists, 18 Ancestor, 19 Bill, 20 Knead, 21 Battery.

Down: 1 Doing, 2 Amenable, 3 Greets, 4 Deplorable, 5 Ohms, 6 Samaria, 9 Buttressed, 11 Solstice, 12 Ransack, 14 Absorb, 16 Sally, 17 Acne.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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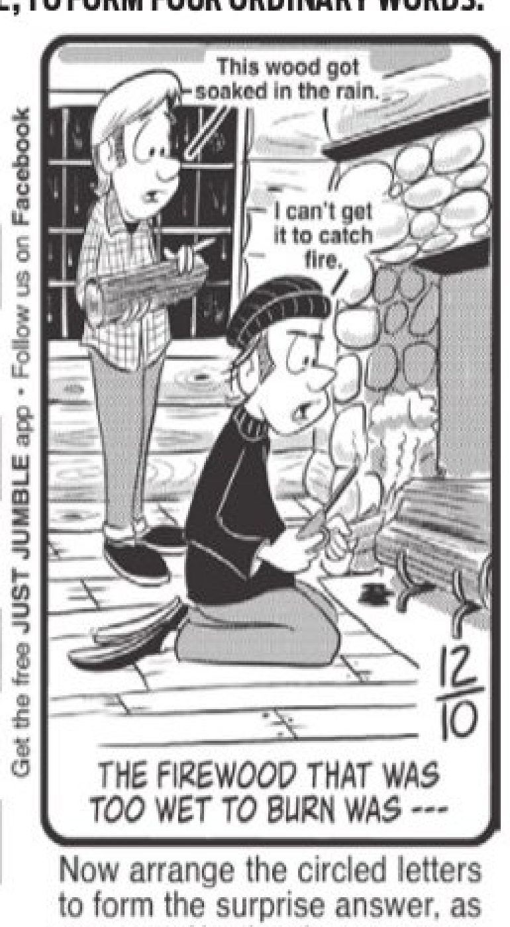
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This wood got soaked in the rain.
I can't get it to catch fire.
12/10
THE FIREWOOD THAT WAS TOO WET TO BURN WAS ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Ans. here:

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SHAME CLUNG BICKER GENTLY
Answer: If you end up purchasing a winning lottery ticket, it will be — "BUY" CHANCE

15 gelatin sticks, 30 detonator and other explosive substances used for breaking rocks at a construction site in Akshaynagar were recovered by the Hulimavu police on Tuesday. Without prior approval from the concerned auth-orities, the site owner, Chandru, is alleged to have made arrangements to break rocks that was found in the 100X100 square feet plot. Workers at the site managed to escape. Two vehicles including a tractor have been seized

‘Namma 112’ gets 5.22 lakh calls, ensures public safety

Increase of more than 80,000 calls for service since 2024: Report

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

FROM calls to report an accident, safety issue, crime or health emergency to cases of domestic violence, issues of senior citizens/live alone people, road rage, noise pollution, suicide bid and drug abuse, technology has not only expanded the outreach and service of Bengaluru City Police (BCP) with the upgraded new-age 112 -- the pan-India emergency number -- but also accelerated access and delivery to callers.

Namma 112, the 24/7 police helpline, received 5,22,742 calls for service (CFS) in 2025, an increase of more than 80,000 CFS since 2024. Interestingly, of 5,22,742 CFS, around 1,15,000 were women callers. To assume that the calls had to do with domestic violence would be an assumption driven by stereotype. “A majority of CFS from women had to do with some unusual activity/incident that may have either occurred in their surroundings or they would have witnessed it, like a road accident or some mishap or brawl in the neighbourhood or street,” Joint Commissioner, Administration, Kuldeep Jain told *TNIE*.

On two occasions since December last year, some alert citizens called the helpline to report suspicious activity of some people in and around a car, which was parked for some time and perhaps abandoned. When the Hoysala team reached the spot, it found contraband drugs inside the parked car. “Bengaluru City Police are cracking down on drugs and peddlers. We would like more people to report such crimes to 112 so that quick action is taken. Delivery of contraband drugs is becoming a challenge because of increased awareness and surveillance. Possibly, the trafficker dumped the drugs in the parked car and shared the location with his/her customer,” added the officer.

The city police have gone a step forward to shield the caller/informant’s number. “When a call is made on 112, it goes to the command centre in the commissioner’s office. They immediately alert the nearest Hoysala and share the location with a masked number for that CFS. The caller is sent an acknowledgement message and link to track the Hoysala through a masked number. They can call the Hoysala from that number to rush to the location. Once the complaint is addressed, the masked number is deleted. This is to ensure the privacy and security of the caller,” said Jain.

The police also calls or messages the distressed caller to inquire whether their issue was sorted out, and in what time gap. The police officer added that awareness on Namma 112 helpline is growing in the city. The number of CFS the command centre gets is a positive sign of public awareness and their faith in the police. In more than 50 to 55 per cent cases, Hoysalas reach the location within 8 to 10 minutes. We get calls from a diverse section of people and age groups. Senior citizens, for instance, call to report noise pollution, construction activity beyond permissible hours in their vicinity or family issues, like abuse by children,” added the officer.

Tech upgrades

Launched in 2022 under the Safe City Project, supported by the Centre’s Nirbhaya Fund, Namma 112 has gone through periodic technological upgrades. In 2023, Bengaluru was the first city to integrate body worn camera feeds directly into CFS workflow. In 2024, the city took the lead to integrate Emergency Call Boxes (safety islands) directly with Namma 112. In 2025, BCP integrated Namma 112 with some private cab aggregators. This year, there’s a proposal to integrate the helpline with government (eg BMTC) and other private stakeholders.

Police rescue man after suicide attempt

Bengaluru: In a swift operation, the Bagaluru police rescued a man who attempted suicide by consuming 30 tablets. On Friday at 5.07 pm, a 35-year-old man, residing at Gummanahalli in Bagaluru, consumed the tablets due to mental distress. After taking the tablets, he called his wife and informed her of taking the extreme step. His wife called 112. The control room personnel alerted the Bagaluru police. N Ganesh, assistant sub-inspector and Mallikarjun, head constable, attached to the Bagaluru Police Station, reached the spot within seven minutes. The police broke open the door and saw the man in an unconscious state. He was rushed to a nearby hospital in an ambulance. The person is said to be recovering. **ENS**

Committee accuses Muzrai officials of stealing gold

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DHARMARAYA TEMPLE

K Satish, former president at The Dharmaraya Temple Management Committee alleged on Tuesday that the executive officer Nagaraj appointed by the Karnataka government to oversee Karaga and daily administration has allegedly stolen gold necklace weighing 122 grams from the temple.

He also alleged that officials demand Rs 2 lakh cut for every Rs 10 lakhs grant release. Satish claimed, “The incident happened in the first week of October. It took two months to get the video evidence through RTI. The video exposed the official carrying a jewel. He is placed under suspension now.”

Former president of Dharmaraya Temple Satish addresses the media regarding theft of a gold ornament inside the temple, in Bengaluru on Tuesday | EXPRESS

The official pleaded innocence stating that the jewel was taken outside the temple premises for ‘testing’. The Muzrai commissioner, Sharath B, confirmed said the complainant has been asked to furnish the proof of the allegation against officials, and the claims will be verified.

Satish claimed that Muzrai officials like tahsildar Aravind Babu, additional deputy commissioner Jagadish, former executive officer Naveen and assistant commissioner Purushotham all work as a unit and the EOs are asked to operate on behalf of them. Aravind Babu said he is in the hospital and cannot comment. “The former Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike used to give Rs 1.5 crores for the Karaga for the last two years. Now that temple is under Muzrai’s custody for the last 10 years, it wants to lay hands on the money,” he alleged.

The vendors, including Ravichandran, who supplied flowers, and Sujatha, who provided lighting, have not been paid for their service. They have alleged that the officials are demanding a commission and have threatened to stop the festival, said Satish.

The Muzrai department defended by stating that Satish directly transferred 1/3rd of the funds from the second instalment of Rs 60,96,879 received from BBMP, directly into the Managing Committee’s account. “Funds handling was transferred to Muzrai department following the urban deputy commissioner’s order in 2023; however, the money received from BBMP was transferred into the account without the knowledge of the executive officers, which is a violation as per Rule 33(3) of the Karnataka Hindu Religious Institutions and Charitable Endowments Rules, 2002,” said an official.

Satish defended that he sent money into the Temple Management Committee’s account and not his personal account.

CORRUPT COPS ARE THREAT TO COMMON MAN: SPL COURT

YATHIRAJU @Bengaluru

THE officers in the police department are not hesitating to express their grievance that they are paying for ‘minutes’ to get their postings and recovering it from the people. This kind of payment-based police service under ‘minutes’ is unfortunate, as it is no longer required for people, observed the Special Court for Lokayukta Cases, rejecting the bail application filed by KP Agrahara Police Inspector Govindraju.

K M Radhakrishna, Judge of the Special Court, made these scathing remarks on February 2 while also noting that assuring favours, closing of cases, filing of ‘B’ reports (closure reports) against culprits, holding threats of implicating in criminal cases and ignoring the grievances of the victims are different facets of corruption, and it has become the business of the day. This atmosphere is playing with the lives and liberty of the common people, court said.

Lokayukta police trapped and arrested Govindraju after he had allegedly accepted a Rs 4 lakh bribe on January 29 from the complainant to favour and not to register any future cases against him.

The Special Court also said: “Corrupt police officers are a threat to common man. Trapping of more than 4 police officers in the cadre of ACP, and the Inspectors within just 45 days, witnessed by this court, is the best instance to expose the terrible face of corruption in stations.”

Denying the allegations, Govindraju expressed his readiness to offer the surety and abide by any conditions in the event of bail. The public prosecutor opposed the bail application.

CRIME PATROL

4 held for kidnap & robbery

Bengaluru: Four people, including a businessman, were arrested by the Banashankari police for kidnapping and robbing a 28-year-old man. The victim M Nithin Gowda, was a resident of Thyagarajanagar. The main accused, identified as Nihar Ranjan, a samosa seller and Madhu, Santosh and Manjunath, drivers by profession, were arrested. Police recovered Rs 39,000 and the autorickshaw used for the kidnapping. Nihar had taken Rs 5,000 from Nithin but did not pay it back. The victim had made more than 150 phone calls. Nihar then asked Nithin to come near the BDA complex in Banashankari to collect the cash.When he went there, he was kidnapped in an auto. The gang robbed him of 47,000 cash through UPI and a Rs 4 lakh-worth gold chain. **ENS**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
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Ph: 080-2697 1000, Website: www.fpibengaluru.karnataka.gov.in
No.: FPI-PROC0TNDR(GRDN)/1/2025-ADMN Date: 04-02-2026

e-Tender Notification

Fiscal Policy Institute (FPI) invites Tender through e-procurement in two-covers mode, from the reputed agencies for the following service.
“To Provide Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract for Maintenance of Garden, Landscape and Potted Plants etc., in Fiscal Policy Institute”.

Last date: **10-02-2026 till 4.30 PM.**

The Tender details may be downloaded from the Karnataka Public Procurement Portal: website: **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/- For Director
Fiscal Policy Institute (FPI)
DIPR/CP/YC/5400/2025-26

Government of Karnataka
OFFICE OF THE JOINT COMMISSIONER OF COMMERCIAL TAXES
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49, Ground Floor, East Wing, Khanija Bhavan, R.C Road,
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Tender No: JCCT(Ltu)/HK & OMS/CR-03/2025-26 Date:29.01.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited as per K.T.P.P Act, 1999 from the reputed man power service providers to provide the services of 04 House Keeper, 05 Security Guard and 01 receptionist to the Office of the Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Large Taxpayers Unit, # 49, Ground Floor, East Wing, Khanija Bhavan, R.C Road, Bengaluru-560001. Last Date to apply for tender is **10 Feb 2026.**

For details visit e-procurement website at
https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in, http://www.ctax.kar.nic.in

Sd/- Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes
Large Taxpayers Unit, Bengaluru-560001

Shivamogga – Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority, Shivamogga
Vinobanagar, 100 feet road, Shivamogga-577204.
Phone: 08182-249867, e-mail: sudashivamogga@gmail.com
No.: SUDA/C.A./Allotment-4/2025-26 Date: 30.01.2026

Public Notice for Allotment of Civic Amenity Sites

Application is invited from Co-operative Society or Societies, Registered under Karnataka Societies Registration Act 1960, Registered Educational, Religious, Charitable Trusts regarding allotment of Civic Amenity Sites reserved for Public Facilities in Authority's/private layouts in the limits of Shivamogga – Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority on lease basis for 30 years as per Karnataka Urban Development Authorities Civic Amenity Sites Allotment Rule 1991. Application Form – 1 for Registration and Application Form – 2 for sanction of site can be obtained from the office of Shivamogga – Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority by payment of Rs. 500 as fee from 03.02.2026 to 04.03.2026 up to 3.00 PM. Applications with details filled in Form-1 and 2 can be submitted at the office of the Shivamogga – Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority in person or through registered post within 5.00 PM on 10.03.2026. Details/Note/Special Note of the Civic Amenity Sites available for allotment can be obtained from website of the Authority www.shivamogga.uda.gov.in or by contacting the office of the Authority.

Sd/- (Vishwanath P. Mudajji) **Sd/- (H.S. Sundaresh)**
Commissioner, **Chairman,**
Shivamogga – Bhadravathi Urban Development Authority,
Shivamogga.
DIPR/smg/ksmca/25-26/04/02/1738

U.T. OF LAKSHADWEEP
LAKSHADWEEP DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED
(A GOVT. OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
56/2366 (Old No. 27/1038 B), Panampilly Nagar, Kochi - 682 036
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E-Mail: ldcladm2016@gmail.com Website: lakshadweep.gov.in

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02.02.2026 **Sd/- General Manager**

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02.02.2026 **Sd/- General Manager**

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(Through KPP portal)

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Sl. No.	Name of the Sub-division	Tender Enquiry No.
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2	Bangarpete	BESCOM/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT734/ CALL-2
3	Nelamangala	BESCOM/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT735/ CALL-2
5	Tiptur	BESCOM/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT737/ CALL-2

Time Schedule: Availability of Bid documents: 05.02.2026 @ 11:00 Hrs onwards. **Last date for seeking clarifications:** 09.02.2026 @ 11:00 Hrs. **Pre-Bid meeting:** 10.02.2026 @ 11:30 Hrs. **Venue:** Conference Hall, 3rd Floor, Belaku Bhavana, BESCOM, Corporate Office, K.R. Circle, Bengaluru -01. **Last date for bid submission:** 16.02.2026 @ 17:00 Hrs. **Opening of Technical Bids:** 18.02.2026 @ 11:00 Hrs.

The bid documents can be downloaded and necessary assistance can be obtained through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal (KPPP) from the website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

KPP Portal Help Desk:
Phone No: +91-8046010000, +91-8068948777,
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Place: Mumbai
Date: 30.01.2026 **General Manager (RP & PM)**

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KARNATAKA

In a significant step towards strengthening the Belagavi's transport infrastructure, the North Western Karnataka Road Transport Corporation (NWKRTC) has approved a grant of ₹6.75 crore for the construction of Belagavi's first dedicated bus depot

NOT GUILTY, WON'T RESIGN: TIMMAPUR

Says if some officials take bribes misusing name of minister and CM, action should be initiated against them; Oppn stages dharna

EXCISE 'SCAM'

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KARNATAKA Excise Minister RB Timmapur asserted in the Assembly on Tuesday that he is not guilty in the alleged multi-crore excise department scam, and there is no question of him resigning from his post.

"If some official takes bribes by misusing the name of the minister and Chief Minister, action should be initiated against him, what mistake did I commit to tender my resignation?" he asked, responding to BJP members' demand.

On the audio in which his and his son's names were mentioned, Timmapur likened it to the alleged audio of former CM BS Yediyurappa conversing with Congress and JDS MLAs to purchase them, which was eventually proved a fake. He maintained that charges of corruption in the excise department are not new, and have surfaced in every government, when JH Patel and Yediyurappa were CMs, and even during the previous BJP government, but none resigned.

He said the Federation of Wine Merchants' Association, which petitioned the Lokayukta, does not technically exist as it did not hold a general body meeting or conduct an annual audit. The minister further claimed that he brought in reforms to reduce and tackle corruption, unlike previous ministers. A counselling system has been adopted for official transfers, officers are not allowed to work in their home districts, and those who face suspension are not given executive posts, he said. Those working for over five years in Bengaluru were transferred.

Excise Minister RB Timmapur defends himself in the Assembly on Tuesday

"There were instances of individuals having 100, 50 or 40 licences. Should not backward classes get an opportunity to get licences? Which is why e-auction has been implemented in partnership with MSTC, a Government of India enterprise. Where is the corruption?" he asked.

Timmapur said Lakshminarayan, who had petitioned against him, had sought to obtain a licence illegally for a liquor shop (CL7) on a residential plot, and his trade licence was also fake. He said Mandya Excise DC Nagashayana was suspended after allegations came up against him. "I spoke with the CM and brought in many reforms. These are all lies spread against me," he said, adding that he will not take shelter under a Dalit tag either.

Meanwhile, Food and Civil Supplies Minister KH Muniyappa said there is no meaning in seeking Timmapur's resignation now as the case is with the Lokayukta, and suggested they could do so if the Lokayukta finds the minister guilty.

Leader of Opposition R Ashoka alleged that Timmapur had tricked and diverted the issue of the scam, but the BJP would not accept his defence and will continue to stage protests until CM Siddaramaiah dismisses him. Senior BJP leader Araga Jnanendra demanded an SIT probe and Opposition members staged a dharna in the well of the House.

BJP-JDS MLAs launch an overnight dharna inside the Assembly in Vidhana Soudha on Tuesday, demanding the resignation of Excise Minister RB Timmapur in the alleged multi-crore scam, and urging a probe by a HC judge or CBI. They claimed that CM Siddaramaiah was defending the minister as he has a share in the scam and wants to retain his post by sending scam money to LoP in LS Rahul Gandhi. "We will continue our dharna until the minister resigns," LoP R Ashoka declared, saying evidence of a pen drive of the conversation, Lokayukta trapping an excise officer collecting a ₹25 lakh bribe, and a case being filed by Lokayukta were adequate. There is no doubt the Excise department's ₹5,000-6,000 crore scam was shared with the party high command, Karnataka BJP president BY Vijayendra alleged | EXPRESS

CM failed to act against accused: LoP

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ACCUSING Chief Minister Siddaramaiah of failing to act against those involved in the alleged Excise Department scam, the BJP members created ruckus in the Assembly. They alleged that the scam amounts to around Rs 6,000 crore and that the CM has remained silent on the issue.

Leader of the Opposition R Ashoka said, "Politics revolved around caste, but now even officials are indulging in caste-based favoritism. There is an audio clip in which an official tells an applicant, who is a Vokkaliga, to bring a Kuruba delegation to meet the Chief Minister or his son, MLC Dr Yathindra, and get his work sanctioned." Ashoka said the Excise Department ranks number one in corruption. He alleged that bar, pub and wine shop owners make monthly 'payments' to department officials and that a share of this money goes to Excise Minister RB Timmapur. He claimed there are audios, letters and other documents proving the minister's involvement. "Timmapur says he is being targeted because he is a Dalit. But there are other ministers from the same community, why are they not taking their names," he said.

Ashoka alleged that there are over 14,000 licence-holders running pubs, wine shops and other liquor businesses in the state. He alleged that each of the licence-holder pays Rs 15,000 per month as bribe, which comes to Rs 21 crore a month.

He also referred to allegations made by Karnataka Wine Merchants Association president Guruswamy who claimed that the department issued licences to 2,000 new shops after collecting bribes of Rs 50 lakh to Rs 1 crore each. Guruswamy, who belongs to Varuna Assembly constituency, has alleged that even after complaints were made to the Chief Minister, no action was taken.

Ashoka said there is an audio clip of a Joint Commissioner in which he reportedly seeks bribe and that money has to be paid to minister Timmapur and his son. "But the government has not taken any action and has only recorded his statement. This clearly shows the involvement of the minister and his son," he alleged.

The LoP also accused the government of encouraging liquor consumption. "Congress leaders claim to respect Mahatma Gandhi and his values. Gandhi opposed liquor, but this government is promoting it," he said. Referring to a recent event to distribute houses in Hubballi attended by the CM, DCM DK Shivakumar and other ministers, Ashoka alleged that an Excise official sent WhatsApp messages to licence-holders asking them to keep enough liquor stock as around two lakh people were expected to attend the event.

Siddaramaiah, who appeared restless, said the session was specially called to discuss MNREGA. "Opposition requested me to allow discussion on the excise issue, but they are taking too much time. Even in Business Advisory Committee meeting, it was decided to dedicate two days for MNREGA," he said.

SC/ST netas meet against 'diversion' of SCP/TSP funds

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

A group of SC/ST ministers and MLAs held a secret meeting in Bengaluru on Tuesday evening, just one day before the legislature session is scheduled to conclude, focussing on the contentious issue of Scheduled Caste Sub-Plan (SCP) and Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) funds being allegedly diverted to support the State Government's guarantee schemes. Informed sources said that the legislators expressed unhappiness and termed it as a "let down".

They held the meeting at a secret location amid rising concerns that the SCs/STs were not getting their rightful due.

They said that they were concerned that the funds earmarked for them had been diverted to the Shakti scheme which supports women to travel in buses for free by bearing their travel expenses and providing them with financial support.

> **The group plans to escalate their concerns by writing to the Congress high command. A letter has already been drafted, urging the leadership to halt the fund transfers**
>
> Congress sources

Congress MLC Sudhama Das had raised the issue in the House much to the embarrassment of the Grand Old Party. Earlier, the MLC had raised the issue at the Congress Legislature Party meeting which did not go down well with the party leadership. According to details emerging from the meeting, the group plans to escalate their concerns by writing to the Congress high command, including AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge. A letter has already been drafted, urging the leadership to halt the fund transfers, arguing that such diversions undermine the empowerment of oppressed sections and violate the spirit of the Karnataka Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan and Tribal Sub-Plan Act, 2013. "The diversion of funds to the guarantees is not acceptable and must be stopped immediately," the letter reportedly reads, emphasising that SCP-TSP resources should remain ring-fenced for targeted community upliftment.

A minister who chaired the discussions, has previously defended the government's approach, stating in legislative debates that the transfers are legal under Section 7C of the Act, which allows proportional allocations for schemes benefiting SC/ST populations. "These funds are being used exclusively for SC/ST beneficiaries within the guarantee programs, ensuring equitable distribution without misuse," he had remarked in an earlier Assembly session, echoing sentiments from Social Welfare Minister Dr HC Mahadevappa, who confirmed in August 2025 that about Rs 13,500 crore had been redirected but insisted it was for community-specific benefits.

However, the move has drawn sharp criticism from opposition BJP, who accuse the Congress of systemic injustice against Dalits and tribals.

VB-G RAM G will put states under financial stress: Siddu

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah said in the Assembly on Tuesday that many states will be under financial stress when they implement the VB-GRAM-G employment scheme, as the Centre-state share has been reworked to 60:40, after the Central government adopted the recommendation of the 16th Finance Commission to retain vertical share of devolution at 41 per cent to states.

"We had demanded 50 per cent, even Prime Minister Narendra Modi had demanded it when he was Gujarat CM. Should not Modi's stand be the same, whether he is CM or PM?" he questioned. The CM was speaking after introducing a resolution to demand that the Centre repeal VB-GRAM-G and reinstate MGNREGA, in which the Centre-state ratio was 90:10, and against wages, the Centre would fund 100 per cent.

As per Section 5(1) of VB-GRAM-G, the Centre will notify panchayats and specify works to be taken up, which takes away the decision-making powers of panchayats and gram sabhas, he said. The 73rd and 74th amendments to the Constitution ensured that decentralisation of power was destroyed, he alleged. He elaborated on the adverse impact of the new Act, even as BJP defended it, saying it will check corruption. At one stage, the CM appealed to Speaker UT Khader to use Rule 343 and send members out of the House for disturbing his speech. He claimed the new Act will increase unemployment, migration and reduce participation of women labourers.

Siddaramaiah alleged the RSS has a hand in repeal of MGNREGA and removing Mahatma Gandhi's name. He taunted that BJP members tutored by RSS have been obstructing him from delivering his speech. "There might be some RSS persons either in the House or gallery, keeping a close watch on you," he mocked the BJP. MLA Sunil Kumar said the CM's intelligence wing was feeding him wrong information.

CM Siddaramaiah addresses the Assembly in Vidhana Soudha on Tuesday

CM SIDDARAMAIAH LOSES COOL

When BJP MLAs were distracting CM Siddaramaiah, who was reading the resolution, the latter lost his temper and told the Congress MLAs to get up and make noise. "Only you (BJP) think you can cause chaos in the House? We have 140 members in the House. We know how to create ruckus, too," the CM said. Siddaramaiah was also seen calling individual names of Congress MLA and telling them to get up from their seat. The CM said people of the state have taught the BJP a lesson. BJP members, however, continued to cause a distraction.

'Power of gram sabhas will be taken away'

The CM said at a time when Karnataka is not getting grants from the Centre as per the recommendations of the Finance Commission, the new Act that "imposes a 40% burden on the state in the implementation of the scheme through a new law is an attempt to jeopardise the economic security and development of the state."

Siddaramaiah said through VB-G RAM G, the powers of the gram sabhas have been taken away as they cannot select works according to their needs. "Through MGNREGA , many properties and works, including roads, school walls, toilets, panchayat buildings, horticulture crops, playgrounds, and other essential properties needed for villages were created, helping the poor. But now, the new law has been passed to help corporates and contractors. This is nothing but snatching food from the poor and giving it to the rich," the CM charged. He also said that while workdays in MGNREGA was 12 months, it has now been slashed to 10 months under VB-G RAM G. "There is uncertainty in wages to be paid to these workers. This is nothing but modern era slavery," the CM said.

Considering all these serious issues and with the objective of protecting the livelihood rights of rural population, this House urges the Centre to repeal the VB-G RAM G and to continue with MGNREGA in its original form, Siddaramaiah added.

Council in chaos, Naseer regrets remarks on PM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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PROCEEDINGS of the Karnataka Legislative Council, which were disrupted for three consecutive days last week, were again disrupted on Tuesday.

As the House convened on Tuesday morning, chaos erupted as Opposition members demanded that the Chief Minister's Political Adviser, MLC Naseer Ahmed, apologise for his 'desh drohi' (anti-national) remark about Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while the Congress members demanded that BJP MLC CT Ravi apologise for his 'Pakistani tongue' remarks. Ravi said that the tongue that spoke against the PM could not be Indian. "It should be a Pakistani tongue," Ravi said.

Opposition members supporting Ravi, shouted slogans against Naseer and said they would continue to protest till he tenders his apology.

As both sides engaged in heated arguments, Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti requested the members to cooperate to run the House and asked Nazeer to apologise.

As the fight continued, Horatti adjourned the House briefly, convened a meeting with leaders of both parties to put an end to the deadlock.

After the house resumed, Nazeer retorted that Ravi tender his apology first. Leader of the Opposition Chalavadi Narayanaswamy said that Congress members made remarks about the Karnataka Governor and have now made remarks about the PM, and that they apologise or be thrown out of the House.

Chief Whip in the Council, MLC Saleem Ahmed, demanded that Ravi apologise first.

Pointing out that he had earlier warned Naseer against giving statements about PM Modi in the House, the Chairman demanded his unconditional apology, else he would have to take action.

Naseer said he was provoked and made statements on PM, and said he regretted it. Narayanaswamy demanded that he tender an apology and not regret his statement. While Horatti tried to explain that expressing regret was as good as seeking an apology, the LoP said they want an apology.

Chief Minister's Political Adviser MLC Naseer Ahmed addresses the Legislative Council in Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

When Horatti sought Ravi's apology, he said that he had not taken any names in his Pakistani remarks and did not budge. The Chairman told Ravi that it was left to his conscience to apologise or not.

The House was the adjourned till Wednesday.

It may be recalled that the BJP MLCs stormed the well of the House on Monday and chanted slogans such as *'Nazeer Ahmed Dhikhara'* (Down, Down Nazeer Ahmed), and demanded an immediate apology or penal action against the Congress member. Meanwhile, Labour Minister Santosh Lad said that the BJP members had used the same term to describe anyone from the Congress criticising them for 11 years and had used derogatory terms against former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru.

Assembly to deploy spl education teachers for hearing-impaired kids

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

ASSEMBLY Speaker UT Khader said that Karnataka Assembly will deploy special education teachers from the next session to assist hearing-impaired children in understanding Assembly proceedings.

On Tuesday, children with hearing loss from NK Ganapaiah Rotary School for the Physically Challenged from Sakleshpura in Hassan district has come to see the house proceedings. These children can understand everything through sign languages.

"We need to feel proud and respect these kids who have shown interest to see the house proceedings. To make them understand, we shall have an instructor exclusively for them" Khader said.

Speaker UT Khader makes a point in the Assembly on Tuesday | EXPRESS

Cutting across the party line, legislators initially gave a thumbs up, expressing their appreciation to those kids. When the instructor who accompanied them explained, the children raised their hands expressing their gesture.

MLAs in turn reciprocated and raised their hands. It was heart warming to witness this amid the chaos in the Assembly that was debating alleged scam in Excise Department.

EXPRESS READ

GO on 5-year upper age limit relaxation

BENGALURU: The Karnataka State Government issued an order on Tuesday, relaxing the upper age limit for five years for all direct recruitment government jobs. The government order stated that the one-time measure to address recruitment delays will be applicable to all categories. It will be applicable for notifications issued until December 31, 2027. Elected representatives, job aspirants, and organizations had appealed to the state government for a five-year upper age limit relaxation for state civil services direct recruitments **ENS**

Police have arrested three persons in connection with an incident in which mobile phones, cigarettes and beedis were allegedly thrown into the Central Prison at Sogane, Shivamogga. According to the police, the incident occurred on January 30 when miscreants threw prohibited items, including a mobile phone, cigarettes and beedis, wrapped in black gum tape, into the prison

4 of 6 study centres in BU offer no courses, have zero takers

Jagjivan Ram, Kempegowda, Basavalingappa, Gandhian Studies suffer from govt apathy

RASHMI PATIL @ Bengaluru

NOT much has been done to strengthen centres established 10 years ago to study stalwarts like Babu Jagjivan Ram, Nadaprabhu Kempegowda and B Basavalingappa, at Bangalore University (BU), Jnana Bharathi campus.

Due to the government's apathy to pass the statutes required for functioning of these centres, neither can faculty be appointed nor can courses be offered. The six centres in BU are Babu Jagjivan Ram Study Centre, B Basavalingappa Study Centre, Centre for Ambedkar Studies, Centre for Gandhian Studies, Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Study and Research Centre and Centre for Yogic Studies.

Prof Muralidhar BL, who is in charge of Basavalingappa Study Centre said, "It was established ten years ago, yet no courses have been offered at the centre, hence there are no takers. I have written to the registrar and VC of the university, asking them to provide an adhoc research associate for this centre with the same salary that is paid to guest lecturers, which hasn't yielded any results so far."

Muralidhar said, "The university has always responded saying no statutes have been passed by the State Government. How can the university establish study centres without statutes being passed? With this, the university cannot appoint either permanent faculty or guest faculty, and so no courses."

Prof Vijaykumar Doddamani, Director of Babu Jagjivan Ram Study Centre said, "There are no takers for Babu Jagjeevan Ram Study Centre which is also ten years old. For the study centre to remain in bad shape, the govt is partly responsible, as also the university and faculty members like me."

The condition of the 60-year-old Centre for Gandhian Studies is no different. While the building for which former president Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan had laid a foundation stone is in bad shape, no students have come forward to take up Diploma in Gandhian Studies at least from the past two years. In order to attract students, the centre has launched online diploma courses; however, no students are taking interest in studying about eminent personalities like Mahatma Gandhi. Similarly, Kempegowda Study and Research Centre started in 2017, was allocated Rs 100 crore only last year, and also has zero takers. A foundation stone has been laid for the building.

No hostels for diploma students

The Centre for Ambedkar Studies offers diploma in Ambedkar Studies for one year and the total intake is 20 students. However, from the past few years, only 10 students have taken admission to pursue diplomas. Prof C Somashekara, Director of the Centre, said, "The primary reason for the poor response is diploma students not being allowed to stay in hostels. The university cancelled this facility a few years ago citing financial burden. Earlier, this facility attracted students to take up diploma courses at the centres."

The Centre for Yogic Studies offers two courses including diploma and MSc in yoga. The total intake is 30 for diploma and 30 for MSc, and this year, 40 people have taken up the courses.

EXPRESS READ

RNSIT students secure six ranks at VTU convocation

Bengaluru: Students from MCA department of RNS Institute of Technology Bengaluru have secured 6 ranks out of the total 10 ranks announced at the 25th convocation of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU). These six rank holders are Kavya H C- 1st Rank, Ananya R P- 4th Rank, Shivani Sitarama Nayak- 5th Rank, Aishwarya B C – 7th Rank, Smita Sudhakar Hegde – 8th Rank and Seema H Jain – 10th rank **ENS**

Poland visa scam: Man loses ₹4.5L

ENS @ Mangaluru

A man was allegedly cheated of Rs 4.5 lakh on the pretext of obtaining an employment visa to Poland. The Kadaba police have registered a case against two individuals for cheating and making false promises of a job visa. According to the complaint, the victim, a welder, aspired to work abroad.

He learned about a job opportunity in Poland that matched his qualifications and planned to travel there in January 2023 which he shared with his friend Shijo. The complainant met the accused, Perambil Joseph Manoj and Smitha Manoj, who ran an office at Nelyadi. The accused allegedly convinced him that they had strong contacts in Poland and knew officials in the visa department. The accused demanded Rs 5 lakh, promising a visa in around six months.

The complainant initially transferred Rs 1 lakh to begin visa application process and later paid Rs 2.5 lakh in installments between March 2023 and September 2023. In September 2023, the accused informed him that the visa process was in its final stage and that he must travel to Mumbai for an interview. They demanded an additional Rs 1 lakh. However, during his visit to Mumbai, the complainant realised that he had been cheated and that no application was submitted. When confronted, the accused assured him that the money will be returned by Dec 2025. Perambil Joseph Manoj allegedly became unreachable in Jan 2026, and Smitha Manoj threatened the complainant when he demanded his money back. Based on the complaint, the police registered a case under Sections 417 and 420 of BNS.

LABOUR RIGHTS

Gig workers protest demanding dedicated, comprehensive legislation that secures their legal rights at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Tuesday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Bengaluru pilots want Boeing 787s grounded

ANUBHAB ROY @ Bengaluru

IN the wake of an Air India Boeing 787-8 being grounded at Kempegowda International Airport (KIA), the city's pilot community has expressed concerns over the airworthiness of the aircraft.

On Monday, an Air India Boeing 787-8, operating from London's Heathrow Airport to Bengaluru, was grounded at KIA after one of the operating pilots flagged an error with the aircraft's fuel control switch.

The fact that after the Ahmedabad tragedy, another Boeing 787-8 aircraft of Air India developing an issue with its fuel switch, forces one to think beyond coincidence.

"All 787s across the world should be grounded at once considering the safety of flyers. I will never fly on a 787 again," said Captain Gurudath Kavalu, a former Air India pilot.

As a pilot, one can do little in this situation. "If you find an issue, you can bring it to the notice of the maintenance crew and speak with your operators. If maintenance personnel find no problem, there is little you can do. You will be treated as a whistleblower at the peril of your career," Captain Arvind Sharma, a former pilot, said.

On Tuesday, Air India issued a statement which implies that the incident is rooted in little more than a possible (yet consequential) design flaw. "Both left and right switches were checked and found satisfactory, with the locking tooth/pawl fully seated and not slipping from RUN to CUTOFF.

When full force was applied parallel to the base plate, the switch remained secure. However, applying external force in an incorrect direction caused the switch to move easily from RUN to CUTOFF, due to the angular base plate allowing slip when pressed improperly with finger or thumb (sic)," the statement said.

Mysuru to sterilise 1.2L stray dogs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

TO control the rising stray dog population, the District Urban Development Cell has planned to carry out sterilisation surgeries on nearly 1.2 lakh stray dogs across Mysuru city and district.

The Supreme Court has mandated State Govts to implement the Animal Welfare Act and the Animal Birth Control Rules to regulate the stray dog population and prevent the spread of rabies and other infectious diseases. The drive is scheduled to begin this month and is expected to be completed within one year. The Animal Husbandry Department holds primary responsibility to conduct surgeries. A shelter and post-operative care centre will be constructed at Rayankere at a cost of Rs 1.80 crore. Captured stray dogs will be brought to the centre, administered anti-rabies vaccination and kept under observation for at least two days before undergoing sterilisation surgery. After surgery, they will be provided food, medicines and post-operative care until fully recovered, following which they will be released back into their original locations.

Dogs residing in institutional premises such as schools, colleges and government offices will be sterilised, after which their upkeep will remain the responsibility of the government, revealed officials who are making brisk preparations.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public are hereby informed that my client **NARA MADHUSUDHAN NAIDU** ., aged about 41 years, S/o Ramaswamy., R/at No. 585 , 8th cross ,9th main , Coffee Board Layout , Hebbal ,Kempapura ,Bangalore-560024 . has intended to purchase , **Residential Property bearing site no.36, Katha No.138/36, situated at "DASARAHALLI VILLAGE" ,KR Puram Hobli , Bangalore North Taluk , Bengaluru, Measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 Feet , Total Measurement 1200 Sqft, Presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 6, Thanisandra** , morefully described in the schedule hereunder for valuable consideration from **Smt. Manjula Suresh**., Aged about 68 years ,W/o G.Suresh . Any Person objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right in the Schedule Property may lodge their objections and / or claims to the undersigned along with the supporting documentary evidences within **07(seven) days** from the date of this publication, and any objections or claims received thereafter will not be taken for consideration and my client will proceed to purchase the schedule property as if there are no claimant/ s or objections from any person/ s.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing **Residential Property bearing Site no.36, Katha No.138/36, In Sy No. 35/6 situated at "DASARAHALLI VILLAGE" , KR Puram Hobli , Bangalore North Taluk , Bengaluru , Measuring East to West 40 Feet and North to South 30 Feet , Total Measurement 1200 Sqft, Presently within the jurisdiction of BBMP (GBA) Ward no. 6, Thanisandra** and bounded by : **East by :** Road
West by : Site No. 29 & 30
North by : Site No. 35
South by : Private Property

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client has agreed to purchase Immovable Property bearing **BBMP Municipal New No.57/3-1,** (earlier southern portion of Site/ Municipal No.12, situated at 8 th Cross, Kempapura Agrahara, Magadi Road, Bengaluru City, having Corporation Division No.22), now situated at **'C' BLOCK, Kempapura Agrahara, Magadi Road, Bengaluru - 560023,** having **PID No.32-2-57/3-1,** as described below in the schedule from **Mr. Sri. CHENARAM,** S/o. Sri. Amara Ram, of Bangalore. Any person who has any valid claim, title, demand or interest over the said property or any objections to the purchase of the said property by my clients may file his/her objections in writing, along with copies of the supporting documents, with the undersigned within (7) Seven days from this day, failing which it will be deemed that no other person/s has any claim, demand, interest or title in the said property by way of previous sale or agreement to sell or otherwise or objections to the purchase of the said property by my client and my client will complete the sale, as if there is no such claim/s.

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NOTIFICATION

Application were from invited from eligible candidates as per NMC Teachers Eligibility Qualification norms for the vacant posts of Assistant Professor & Senior Resident on Contractual basis for a period of 11 months

1. Assistant Professor 19 (Nineteen)
2. Senior Resident-28 (Twenty Eight)

Interested candidates are hereby informed to take note of the apply in the prescribed format. For details pertaining to minimum educational Qualification Contracted pay and other details may be obtained by visiting the Office & Institute Website **https://mims,kamataka.gov.in/** The Candidates may participate in the Walk-in-Interview which will be held on date **16.02.2026** Application can be downloaded from the Institute website.

Sd/- Director
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Mandya

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E- TENDER NOTIFICATION (RFP)

The Registrar Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences invites tender for Procurement of Gold Medals for the 28th Convocation of RGUHS. More Details on the Service are provided in the attached Terms of Reference.

Tender No. RGUHSK/2025-26/IND0024

1	Tender document available for downloaded	02/02/2026, 18:10 Hrs.
2	Pre-Bid Meeting	06/02/2026, 11:00 Hrs.
3	Last date for Receipt of Tender	13/02/2026, 17:30 Hrs.
4	Last date for Sample submission	16/02/2026, 17:30 Hrs.
5	Opening of Technical Bid	18/02/2026, 11:00 Hrs.
6	Place of Opening of Tender	Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bengaluru

More details can be fetched from website
https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in

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Registrar

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described Immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical** possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** through E-Auction under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002
For details with regard to E-Auction & digital signature please contact the service provider **M/s PSB Alliance (https://baanknet.com/)** **e- mail: support.ebkray@psballiance.com Helpdesk Number : 8291220220, Website: https://baanknet.com/**
The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan.

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Lot No	Name & Address of the Borrower / Guarantor / Mortgagor	Description of the immovable assets:	(1) Total Dues (2) Auction Date & Time	a. Reserve Price b. EMD c. Incremental Bid	Inspection date & time EMD deposited date
1	**(1) Rakesh Pandey** S/o Kanhayyalal Pandey, # 175, Flat No-8, Sri Lakshmi Devi Nilaya, Muneshwara Temple Road, 1st Phase, 3rd Cross, Bangalore-560085 and **(2) Aarti Pandey** W/o Rakesh Pandey, # 175, Flat No.8, Sri Lakshmi Devi Nilaya, Muneshwara Temple Road, 1st Phase, 3rd Cross, Bangalore-560085.	Residential property carved out of the lands in survey No. 31/1 of erstwhile Deevatigeramanahali (Deepanjali Nagar) now within the limit of BBMP and bearing Municipal No. 15, PID No. 41-22-15, New PID No.158-W0045-16 situated at Deepanjali Nagar layout, presently under the limit of Corporation Ward- "Gali Anjaneyaswami Temple" measuring total area 1871.28 Sq. Ft. and bounded on the: East by: Property No.16, West by: Property No.14, North by: Railway Property, South by: Road. **Google Co-ordinate: 12.951883 N 77.531805 E**	**Rs. 1,53,85,341.70 as on 30.01.2026 interest and cost thereon.** **21.02.2026 to 10.30 AM to 11.00 AM**	**a) Rs.90.00 Lakh** **b) Rs. 9.00 Lakh** **c) Rs. 1.00 Lakh**	**18.02.2026 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM.** **before 20.02.2026 5.00 PM**
2	**(1) Mr. Sanjesh Parasmal Shah,** No. 15, Chikkannama Temple Street, Cubbonpet Cross, Joripet, Bangalore, Karnataka-560002, **(2) Mrs. Asha Shah,** No. 15, Chikkannama Temple Street, Cubbonpet Cross, Joripet, Bangalore, Karnataka-560002 And **(3) Mrs. Indira Devi Shah,** No. 10, 9th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore, Karnataka -560002.	Residential property carved out of the lands in survey No. 31/1 of erstwhile Deevatige Ramanahali Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk now within the limit of BBMP and bearing Municipal No. 14, PID No. 41-22-15, New PID No.158-W0046-3 situated at Deepanjali Nagar layout, under Municipal Ward No. 41-Gali Anjaneyaswami Temple measuring total area 2242.682 Sq. Ft. and bounded on the: East by: Site No.15, West by: Site No.13, North by: Railway Property, South by: Road **Google Co-ordinate: 12.951908, 77.531808**	**Rs. 1,72,16,793.65 as on 30.01.2026 interest and cost thereon.** **21.02.2026 10.30 A.M. to 11.00 A.M.**	**a) ₹. 90.00 Lakh** **b) ₹.9.00 Lakh** **c) ₹. 1.00 Lakh**	**18.02.2026 10.00 AM to 2.00 PM.** **before 20.02.2026 5.00 PM**

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.9483544116 and 6301683293 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 03.02.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer, Canara Bank

LOKA SHIKSHANA TRUST
HUBBALLI - BENGALURU

INVITATION FOR JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF LAND

The Loka Shikshana Trust Hubballi-Bengaluru, a registered public charitable Trust, No.2, Field Marshal Cariappa Road (Residency Road), Bangalore 560002 intends to enter into joint development agreement for constructions of a multi storied commercial complex in the schedule property measuring 1 Acre 35 Gunta and 33 Sq. Yards of land at CTS No: 2923, situated at Koppikar Road, Hubli, which is described in the schedule hereunder. The Hon'ble Principal City Civil & Session Judge Court – Bangalore by its order Dated 07.01.2026 in the miscellaneous number 1113/2024 has permitted the Trust to invite tenders from the public.

I. THE TENDER SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING DETAILS:

1. The complete profile of the tenderer with documents supporting expertise in similar projects. The tenderer must also furnish Solvency certificate, Solvency Amount needs to be quantified and shall be obtained by a Scheduled Bank, The Tenderer shall also furnish last three years audited financial statements, Income Tax clearance certificate, GST Registration, License etc.,
2. Prospective plan and specification of construction etc. for commercial building with permitted FAR under HUDA. This shall be subject to alteration, modification etc., as per the requirement of the Trust, subject to mutual approval.
3. It shall also include the proposal to demolish the existing structure. During the construction tenderer should obtain licenses, necessary Plans from HDMC/HUDA, HESCOM, Water Supply, Sewage board etc.. as per the regulations.
4. The efficiency of construction namely the ratio between the carpet area and the super built-up area and the sharing ratio of constructed area between the developer and the Trust, shall be furnished along with the offer of non refundable deposit.
5. Interested persons may contact the undersigned or the Chief Executive Officer, SF 14, Stellar Mall, Samyukta Karnataka, Vidyanagar, Hubballi for arranging inspection of the site and for verification of documents of Title.

II. CONDITIONS OF TENDER:

1. The Tender shall be accompanied by an E.M.D. of 25 Lakhs (Twenty five Lakh Rupees Only) by DD Drawn in name of The Loka Shikshana Trust, Bengaluru, which shall be forth with refunded by the Trust without Interest in case of non- acceptance of Tender. The Trust reserves the right to negotiate with competitive tender offers.
2. Tender must be submitted in a sealed cover on or before 26th February 2026 before 5.30 pm either at the Trust's office at Bengaluru or Hubballi. The sealed Tender will be opened at the Trust Office in Bengaluru at 5 pm on 7th March 2026 in the tenderer's presence. The Trust will finalize Tenders after due evaluation and if need arises, it may consult Expert/s for the purpose of evaluation. The acceptance of Tender is subject to approval of the Hon'ble Principal City Civil & Session Judge Court – Bengaluru.
3. The acceptance of the Tender shall be at the sole discretion of the Trust, subject to approval of the Hon'ble Principal City Civil and Session Judge Court Bengaluru. (CCH-1)
4. The Trust reserves the right to enter into re-negotiation with the bidder/ tenderer
5. The Trust has the right to reject any/all bids, if the bids are not found financially / technically feasible and can call for fresh tenders

SCHEDULE: 1 Acre 35 Guntas & 33 Sq. Yds. of land or thereabouts situated at CTS No: 2923, Koppikar Road, Hubballi, bounded by : **East:** Koppikar Road., **West:** CTS No: 3067, 3068, 3069, 3070, 3067, 3071, **North:** CTS No: 3027/11A, 3727/11B, 2924, **South:** Road – CTS No: 2922.

Date : 04-02-2026
Bengaluru.

Sd/- Secretary,
Loka Shikshana Trust

NOTE:

1. Construction should be as per the Permissible FAR as provided by the Building regulations.
2. Purpose of the construction shall be for Commercial Purpose and the same shall be as per the approval of the Trust, The design and the plan can be submitted by the bidder and shall be submitted for the approval by the trust.
3. Builder shall submit the ratio of the built portion required to be retained by the bidder for the long tenure lease.
4. The bid document shall contain the tentative design of the building as well as the materials used in the construction.
5. Once the bid is accepted by the trust it retains the discretion to alter the design of the building by mutual consent.
6. Plan Sheet should contain best optimum utilization of Land space according to the legal commercial building regulations.
7. Area Measurement details and Maps of the property can be collected from Samyuktha Karnataka, Hubli Office, Stellar mall Vidyanagara, Hubli; Property can be inspected between 11:30 AM and 5:30 PM with prior appointment.
8. Mode and Manner of design can be submitted with Optimum usage of building space.
9. Proposal should consist of the design of the building, the amount of non refundable deposit, Ratio of the building portion given on long lease, the portion of the building for the Trust has to be drafted and submitted for consideration.
10. Tenderer shall also provide the Time line for Demolition of the existing structure and time line for the completion of the commercial building.

THE NEW INDIAN EXPRESS

The Health and Family Welfare Department on Tuesday suspended Dr Pratima D, a obstetrician and gynaecologist at the Anandapuram Community Health Centre, Sagar taluk, in Shivamogga district, following allegations that she conducted an abortion on a minor girl at a private hospital. The alleged abortion took place on October 17, 2025

MAHA TO APPOINT 135 KANNADA TEACHERS IN BORDER SCHOOLS

Earlier, neighbouring state employed Marathi-speaking teachers in its Kannada schools

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

FOLLOWING the intervention by the Karnataka Border Area Development Authority (KBADA), the Maharashtra government has issued a notification to appoint 135 Kannada teachers in Kannada medium schools in the neighbouring state.

At a press meet on Tuesday, KBADA president Somanna Bevinamarad said they visited several Kannada and Urdu medium schools in Solapur and Sangli districts of Maharashtra. "While communicating with the Kannada community and students there, we understood that Marathi-speaking teachers who did not know Kannada were appointed in government Kannada schools. This has created a barrier in communication between teachers and children," he said.

Subsequently, the authority wrote to the Maharashtra government and the education commissioner requesting that Marathi-speaking teachers should not be appointed to teach Kannada. After continuous follow-up through the Karnataka government, Maharashtra has now decided to appoint Kannada teachers in such schools. "They have made necessary changes in the Pavitra portal which is used to appoint teachers in schools in Maharashtra. In future, the appointment of teachers would be done as per the required medium of instruction," Bevinamarad said.

The Maharashtra government will also advertise for Kannada teachers if the posts remain vacant, instead of appointing Marathi or other language teachers to teach Kannada.

Awards for spreading Kannada language, culture

The KBADA announced five names who will be honoured for their work in spreading Kannada in other states. The awards are named after famous Kannada personalities like Belavadi Mallamma, PG Halakatti and Dr Jayadevi Thayi Ligade. Each awardee will get a purse of Rs 1 lakh, a medal and certificate. The awardees are: Mallanagowda Indupur who has been working to spread Kannada language and culture in Telangana, Nagesh Kulkarni for writing Kannada novels and translating Marathi textbooks to Kannada, Muskat Kannada Sangha for taking up Kannada teaching in Oman, Mohan Katharki, senior Supreme Court advocate who represents Karnataka in various issues related to language, sharing of water, etc. and N Chaniyappa Naik, a teacher who has been working for the development of Kannada in Kasargod district, Kerala.

KSDL clocks new production milestone in Jan

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THE Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Ltd (KSDL) has set an all-time production record of 4,894 tonnes in January, said Large and Medium Industries Minister M B Patil on Tuesday. In a press release, the minister stated that January's production comprised 3,798 tonnes in the soap segment, 941 tonnes in the detergents segment and 155 tonnes in the cosmetics segment.

He noted that KSDL had earlier achieved production of 3,113 tonnes in September 2020, 2,744 tonnes in November 2021, 3,650 tonnes in September 2022, 4,144 tonnes in November 2023, 4,486 tonnes in March 2025 and 4,735 tonnes in December 2025.

The minister said extensive measures have been taken to expand markets and strengthen branding in North India and overseas. In addition, a system of continuous, quality-driven production operating across three shifts has been put in place.

The state-owned enterprise currently offers over 45 products, with more to be introduced in the coming days. The company's turnover is targeted to be scaled up to Rs 5,000 crore by 2030, Patil said.

Docs warn of rise in cancers among women

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WORLD CANCER DAY

ONCOLOGISTS are warning of a troubling shift in cancer trends, with younger women increasingly being diagnosed with cancers, raising concerns about delayed detection and aggressive disease patterns.

On the occasion of World Cancer Day on February 4, oncologists urged women to seek early medical evaluation. "Believing 'I'm too young for cancer' is often what costs patients the most time," doctors cautioned.

Dr Ashwin KR, HOD of the Department of Surgical Oncology, Aster Whitefield Hospital & Consultant, said, "We are seeing cancers presenting at a much younger age than before," noting that hospitals are now reporting early-onset breast cancer and sporadic endometrial cancer in women in their 30s and 40s.

"Many women often do not suspect cancer because of their age. Subtle symptoms such as abnormal bleeding, nipple discharge or minor lumps, unexplained weight loss, chronic fatigue, are dismissed as hormonal issues or lifestyle stress," he said.

"The assumption that cancer happens only after 50 is no longer valid," said Dr Niti Raizada, principal director of Medical Oncology & Hemato-Oncology, Fortis Hospitals. He also pointed out that there is a visible rise in early-stage thyroid and kidney cancers among youths, especially in urban centres.

Lifestyle-related factors, including obesity, insulin resistance, diabetes, chronic stress, irregular sleep, tobacco use and delayed childbirth, are emerging as major drivers. Hormone-sensitive cancers such as breast and endometrial cancer are particularly influenced by prolonged estrogen exposure linked to body fat, fertility treatments and late pregnancies.

"Younger women are also more likely to develop biologically aggressive forms of certain cancers," said Dr Ashwin, explaining that specific subtypes of breast cancer require intensive treatment, with implications for fertility and long-term health.

"Cancer does not wait for age, and persistent symptoms should never be ignored," said Dr Smitha Saldanha, Consultant Medical Oncology, HCG Cancer centre. She stressed that early detection remains the single most important factor in survival.

The Kochi Water Metro has been a huge hit since its launch in 2023 | PRASUNNA KP

Water Metro for coastal belt, K'taka looks at Kochi model

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

THE success of the Kochi Water Metro has caught the eye of Karnataka authorities who are looking at starting such a system along the state's coastal belt.A delegation from the Coastal Development Authority (CDA) visited the Kochi Metro Rail Ltd (KMRL) to study the functioning of the water metro and explore the feasibility of implementing a similar system in Karnataka's coast. The delegation was led by authority chairman M A Gafoor and included secretary Pradeep D'Souza and other officials.

During the visit, the team observed various operational and technical aspects of the Kochi Water Metro, including the construction of floating jetties, vessel operations, shipbuilding yards and water-level management systems. The delegation noted that the water metro system in Kochi has been developed at a relatively low cost, estimated between Rs 100 crore and Rs 200 crore, making it a viable and sustainable public transport model.

Gafoor said the coastal districts of Dakshina Kannada, Udupi and Uttara Kannada together have nearly 186 backwater stretches that could potentially be utilised for a water metro project. He recalled that during an earlier visit, KRML had submitted a report stating that, based on certain specifications, the metro system could not extend beyond the Gurupura-Maravoor bridge. However, the authority now plans to provide additional data points and identify alternative locations to reassess the feasibility.

Gafoor said a report would be submitted to the state government in a few days, following which the authority would await further directions regarding funding support from the government. He added that discussions were held with KRML Managing Director Lokanath Behera, on how backwaters in coastal regions could be effectively used for water-based public transport.

EXPRESS READ

K'taka, German city partner to boost startup, innovation ties

Bengaluru: The Karnataka government on Tuesday signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with the City of Düsseldorf in Germany to strengthen collaboration in startups, innovation and technology-led growth, with a focus on Industry 4.0 as well as health and green technology. The partnership aims to support startups and innovation-driven enterprises from both regions by creating structured pathways for market access, soft-landing opportunities, institutional linkages and deeper ecosystem integration. **ENS**

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Central Bank of India

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POSSESION NOTICE under [RULE 8 (1)] SARFAESI Rule

Whereas, the Authorised officer of the Central Bank of India, **BTM LAYOUT Branch** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) and 13 (12) read with the Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued a demand notice dated 19.11.2025 calling upon the borrower **Mr. N S Gurumallaraadhya** S/O Mr. Shanthaveeraiah, & Mrs. Swarnagowri W/O Mr. N S Gurumallaraadhya to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs 3950686.80 (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Fifty Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Six and Paise Eighty Only/-)** (which represents the principal plus interest due as on the 19/11/2025.), plus interest and other charges from 19.11.2025 to till date within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to pay the entire dues of the bank, notice is hereby given to the borrower, the Guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13 (4) of the said act, read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule 2002 on this **31st day of January 2026.**

The borrower and the Guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to charge of Central Bank of India, for the amount of **Rs 3950686.80 (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Fifty Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Six and Paise Eighty Only/-) (which represents the principal plus interest due as on the 19/11/2025.)**, plus interest and other charges from 19.11.2025

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:

Owner of Mortgage Property : Sri N S Gurumallaradhya

Address of Mortgage Property : All the piece and parcel of the Immovable property bearing Vacant Site No 23, Old BBMP Katha No.256/23/156, Presently BBMP Sl.No.1742, Presently BBMP Katha No.1742/1246/1092/388, Presently BBMP Property No . 1246/1092/388, formed in Sy.No.156, Situated at Kothanur Village (Harinagar) Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, within the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore. **Measuring:** East to West : 30-0(Thirty) Feet North to South : 50-0(Fifty) Feet In all measuring : 1500 Square Feet **PROPERTY BOUNDED AS UNDER: East** : Site No 24 **West** : Site No 22 **North** : Road **South** : Private Property

Date : 31.01.2026 **Sd/-Authorized Officer, Central Bank of India**

BENGALURU CENTRAL CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, C.V. Ramannagara Division,
8th Cross, 12th A Main Road, HAL 2nd Stage Indiranagara,
Bengaluru-560038

No. EE/CVR/KPPP/08/2025-26 **Date : 03-02-2026**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK KPP Portal Only) (Two Cover System)

Tenders on item rate basis are invited by the undersigned for the works mentioned below from the registered contractors of Bengaluru Central City Corporation, or equivalent registration with CPWD/KPWD/Railways/MES or any State Government Organizations.

Sl.	Name of the Work
	General Works
1	Providing Essential arrangements in Kalpalli Hindu Burial ground on Occasion of Maha Shivarathri festival in Ward No. 108 Cox Town (Old Ward No. 79) and Lakshmipuram Hindu Burial Ground in Ward No. 113 Hoysalanagara (Old Ward No. 80). **Est. Cost :** Rs. 5.00 Lakhs, **EMD :** Rs. 10,000/-, **Category :** Others.

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka Public Procurement Portal website **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** **(2)** Last Date for uploading the Filled Proposals **10.02.2026 upto 16:00 hours**. **(3)** Date of Opening of Technical Proposals is **11.02.2026 at 16:30 hours. (4)** Date of Opening of Financial Proposals is **12.02.2026 at 16:30 hours.**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, C.V.Raman Nagara Division,
Bengaluru Central City Corporation

Indian Overseas Bank
Residency Road Branch, 133/2, Janardhan Towers, Residency Road,Bengaluru- 560025.Mob: 8925950268

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(No.54 of 2002)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Indian Overseas Bank** has taken possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **Web Portal https://BANNKNET.in**

Name & address of the Borrower:Mrs.Pushpa Latha Nemelipuri,C/o.T.Krishna Rao,No.53-38-7, 4F-4,Sivakarthik Residency, KRM Colony,Seeta Mandhana, Urban Visakhapatnm, A.P 530013. **And also at:** C/o.T.Krishna Rao,Flat No.102, P No: 137,Pranav Arcade,Siddartha Nagar,Hyderabad-500038

Date of NPA: 15.01.2025 . Date of Demand notice: 16.01.2025

Dues claimed in Demand Notice:**Rs.2,46,24,876/- (Rupees Two Crores Forty Six Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Six Only)** as on 16.01.2025 with further interest & costs. . **Date of possession notice: 08.04.2025**

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.2,53,97,440/- (Rupees Two Crores Fifty Three Lakhs Ninety Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Forty Only) as on 08.04.2025 with further interest & costs less repayments,if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues as on 02/02/2026 is Rs.2,77,53,993.86 (Rupees Two crore Seventy Seven Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Three and Eighty Six Paise only)with further interest & costs till the date of repayment in full.

*Outstanding dues of Local Self Government (Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site No.57, BBMP Katha No.57, PID No.ll 82-25-57, situated at Binnamangala 2nd stage, Bangalore measuring East to West 40 Feet, North to South 60 Feet, totally measuring 2400 Sq.ft with all rights appurtenances whatsoever hereunder of underneath or above the surface and bounded on the :**Boundaries**: East by: Site No-56,West by : Site No-58,North by : Site Nos. 49 & 50, South by: Road.

SCEDULE "B" PROPERTY: 456 Sq.ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in schedule 'A' above.

SCEDULE "C" PROPERTY (Description of the Apartment): Flat bearing No.P-2, in the Fourth Floor measuring about 2083 Sq.ft super built up area, containing Three Bedrooms and with one covered Car Parking in Stilt Floor, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircase etc., in the multistoried residential building known as SAI ENCLAVE constructed over Schedule A property.

S. No.	Property Details	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increase Amount
1	Immovable Property as mentioned above	**Rs.2,00,00,000/-** **+Applicable TDS which is 1%**	**Rs.20,00,000/-**	**Rs.1,00,000/-**

Date & Time of auction: 20.02.2026, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Auto extension time: 10 minutes . Known Encumbrance if any: NIL.

Inspection Date& Time: during office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 03.02.2026 to 19.02.2026.

***Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues. For terms and conditions please visit: https://www.iob.in/e-Auctions.aspx https://www.publishtenders.gov.in https://BANNKNET.in/bidder-registration(web portal of e-auction Service provider)**

Date :02.02.2026 Sd/-Authorised Officer
Place:Bengaluru **INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK**

Indian Overseas Bank
Residency Road Branch 133/2, Janardhan Towers, Residency Road Bengaluru- 560025, Karnataka, Email ID: iob0268@iob.in

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Indian Overseas Bank** has taken possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Web Portal **https://BANNKNET.in**

Name & Address of the Borrowers: Mr. Anitha K W/o. Mr. Rudresh B N, No.14, 4th Floor, 9th cross, Sollapuradamma Layout, Srinivasnagar, Sunkadakatte, Near Vidyanikethan School, Bangalore 560091.

Date of NPA: 11.02.2022 **Date of Demand notice: 21.02.2022.**

Dues claimed in Demand Notice: Rs.55,15,632.79 (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Two and Seventy Nine Paise Only) **as on 21.02.2022 with further interest & costs.**

Date of possession notice: 05.05.2022

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.55,95,515/- as on 05.05.2022 with further interest & costs less repayments, if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues as on 02/02/2026 is Rs.57,36,579.11 (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Nine and Eleven Paise Only) **with further interest & costs till the date of repayment in full.**

Self Government (Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: SCHEDULE 'A'-PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of undeveloped immovable converted land property bearing old Sy.No.12/3, New Sy.No.12/6, measuring to an extent of 35 Guntas, Situated at Hallehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, BETQ, in vide: Conversion Order No. ALN(EBB)SR143/2011-12, dated 18/01/2012, for residential purpose, issued for residential purpose by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore and bounded on: **East by:** Land of Sy.No.12/3, **West by:** Land of Sy.No.12/2, **North by:** Road and Sy.No.13,14 land, **South by:** Kithaganur Gadi and Road.

Schedule B Property: (Un-divided share): 320 Sq.ft undivided share, right, title and interest of land in the total land of schedule A property referred to above.

Schedule C Property: Flat bearing No.116 in First Floor, constructed over the Schedule A property contains 2 bed rooms, kitchen, dinning, toilet/s, living room with one car parking bearing No.116 and the super built up area measuring 1080 Sq.Ft of the Apartment known as DS-Max Swatantra together with an undivided share, above, along with water and electricity together with common area such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircase and other areas for common use.

The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is:

Sr. No.	Security Details	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increase Amt
	Residential House Property as mentioned above			
1		Rs.36,43,000/-	Rs.3,64,300/-	Rs.50,000/-

Date & Time of auction: 20.02.2026, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Bid increase amount: Rs. 50,000/- **Auto extension time: 10 minutes**

Known Encumbrance if any: NIL

Inspection Date & Time: During office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 03.02.2026 to 19.02.2026.

***Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues.**
For terms and conditions please visit: **https://www.iob.in/e-Auctions.aspx**
https://www.publishtenders.gov.in https://BANNKNET.in/bidder-registration
(web portal of e-auction of Service provider)

Date: 02.02.2026, **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Indian Overseas Bank**

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (South Zonal Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.

Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708.
Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
Public notice for Sale/Auction of immovable properties {Under SARFAESI Act read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the **physical possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 20.02.2026** for recovery of **Rs.5,52,96,359/- (Rupees Five Core Fifty Two Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Nine Only)** being the amount due as on **01.01.2026** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **1. Mr. Narasimha murthy U R** S/o Ramachar U R, No.4, 14th Cross, Nanjamma Layout, R T Nagar, Bangalore-560032. **2. Mr. Narasimha murthy U R Propritor, Bhavana Enterprises**, No.15, 1st A Main Road, Atmananda Colony, R T Nagar, Bangalore-560032. **3. Mrs. Rekha** W/o Narsimha murthy, No.4, 14th Cross, Nanjamma Layout, R T Nagar, Bangalore-560032. **4. Mrs. Bhakthi** D/o Narasimhamurthy U R, No.4, 14th Cross, Nanjamma Layout, R T Nagar, Bangalore-560032. **in Loan Ref No: 0679 .** Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details: -

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**Article Name: Agreement of Sale of Immovable Property (Possession not given); Market Value:0; Consideration Amount:40000000 From Mrs REKHA N MURTHY W/o U.R.N.Murthy To Smt N.GAYATHRI DEVI Late Ajjegowda Registered in the books of Sub-registered with Docs No : YAN-1-07861-2022-2**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs.4,55,38,350/- (Rupees Four Core Fifty Five Lakhs Thirty Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.45,53,835/-(Rupees Forty Five Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty Five Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore.**
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 19.02.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M.** at Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027, Addressed to **Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public Auction	**On 20.02.2026 between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon** with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available on the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above.

Description of property belongs to Mrs. Rekha N Murthy
W/o Mr. Narasimha Murthy U R.

SCHEDULE OF ITEM NO. 1: All piece and parcel of property bearing H.L. No.1 Khatha No.481/1 situated at Mannarayanapalya, Cholanayakana halli Panchayathi, Kasaba hobli, Bengaluru North taluk measuring East to West 22' Ft., North to South 72' Ft total 1584 Sq Ft. and bounded on: East by: Private Property, West by: Chandra Babu's Property, North by: Road, South by: Nanjappa Reddy's Property. Comprising 060 Sq Ft. A.C. Sheet roofed old mud walls house, has no light, water and sanitary connections, jungle wood used for doors and window frames.

SCHEDULE OF ITEM NO. 2: All piece and parcel of property bearing H.L. No.2 Khatha No.481/1 situated at Mannarayanapalya, Cholanayakana halli Panchayathi, Kasaba hobli, Bengaluru North taluk measuring East to West 78' Ft., North to South 72' Ft total 5616 Sq Ft. and bounded on: East by: Venkatesh Reddy's property, West by: Muniyappa's property, North by: Road, South by: Nanjappa Reddy's property. Comprising 120 Sq Ft. A.C. sheet roofed mud walls old house, has no light, water and sanitary connections, jungle wood used for doors and window frames.

SCHEDULE OF ITEM NO. 3: All piece and parcel of property bearing H.L. No.3 (northern portion) Khatha No.5 situated at Mannarayanapalya, Cholanayakana halli Panchayathi, Kasaba hobli, Bengaluru North taluk measuring East to West 45' Ft., North to South 10' Ft total 450 Sq Ft. and bounded on: East by: Nanjappa Reddy's property, West by: Private property, North by: Chandra Babu sold this day, South by: Remaining portion of same property.

Comprising 8x7 A.C. sheet roofed old mud walls, house, jungle wood used, the property has no light, water, and sanitary connections.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath & Mr.Karthick.R at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **Mobile No. 919886960484 & 91-9080589635, Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 02.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **AXIS BANK LTD.,**

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Bank of Baroda

Bank of Baroda
(A Government of India Undertaking)
Ulsoor Branch
No. 11/12, Cambridge Road, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008

Notice under Rule 6(2) and/or Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Ref No. RO:BEN:RECY:113:2025-26 Date: 22.01.2026

To, (Addressed to Borrowers/Mortgagors/ Guarantors) **1. M/s. S. P. Electrical Industries,** No.745, Category MIG Type-'C', Iggalur banahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Surya Nagar Phase I, Surya Nagar, Bengaluru-562106, Represented by its, Proprietor Mr. D. George. **2. Mr. D. George** S/o P. Dass, Proprietor of S. P. Electrical Industries, No.745, Category MIG Type-'C', Iggalur banahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Surya Nagar Phase I, Surya Nagar, Bengaluru-562106. **3. Mr. D. George,** No.745, Category MIG Type-'C', Iggalur banahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Surya Nagar Phase I, Surya Nagar, Bengaluru-562106. **4. Mrs G Saroja,** W/o Mr. D. George, No.745, Category MIG Type-'C', Iggalur banahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Surya Nagar Phase I, Surya Nagar, Bengaluru-562106. **5. Mrs G Saroja ,** W/o Mr. D. George, No.745, Category MIG Type-'C', Iggalur banahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Surya Nagar Phase I, Surya Nagar, Bengaluru-562106. **6. Mr. Monish. S,** S/o Mr. M. Suresh, No. 36, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Lalbagh Road, Sudhamanagar, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560027.

Re: Notice under Rule 6(2) and/or Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (SARFAESI Act, 2002).

Ref:- 1. Demand Notice dated 18.04.2023 issued u/s 13 (2) of SARFAESI Act 2002.
2. Possession Notice dated 26.07.2023 issued u/s 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act 2002.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Whereas the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda, Ulsoor Branch,** No. 11/12, Cambridge Road, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008 being Secured Creditor Bank in exercise of the powers conferred u/s 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act 2002 (hereinafter refereed as "Act") read with Rules 3 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 (hereinafter refereed as "Rules") issued demand notice dated **18.04.2023** calling upon you being Borrowers (s)/ Mortgagor (s)/ Guarantor (s) to repay the amount stated in the said demand notice within 60 days from receipt of said notice.

And whereas you have failed to repay the amount, the undersigned in exercise of the powers conferred u/s 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 4 and/or Rule 8 of the Rules have taken over the Possession of Secured Assets (hereinafter referred as the said properties) more particularly described herein below Schedule. [Copy of Possession Notice dated **26.07.2023** is attached herewith for ready reference].

Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to Bank as mentioned in above Possession Notice. Your attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of SARFAESI Act, 2002 in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Therefore you all are requested to pay the dues as mentioned in possession notice along with applicable interest, cost, charges & expenses within 30 days from receipt of this notice and redeem the secured asset as mentioned below. In case you fail to pay the above mentioned dues & redeem the secured asset within 30 days from receipt of this notice, Bank will be constrained to sell the secured asset through public e-Auction by publication of e-Auction Sale notice. The date, time of e-auction and Reserve Price of the property shall be informed to you separately.

Schedule of Secured Assets/Properties

Description of the Movable/ Immovable Properties	Date of Possession	Type of Possession (Symbolic/ Physical)	Date of Publication of Possession Notice (For Immovable property only)
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No. 36, measuring East to West 20 Feet, and North to South 35 Feet, totally measuring 700 Square Feet, situated at 2nd Cross, 1st Main, Lalbagh Road, Sudhamanagar, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560027, alongwith Building standing thereon and comprising of GF+FF+SF measuring 1,950 Square Feet and bounded on the: East by: Remaining Portion of K.G. Lingappa, West by: Site No. 7, North by: Remaining Portion of M. Narasihmaiah, South by: Site No. 17.	26.07.2023	Symbolic	28.07.2023

Date : 22.01.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru **Bank of Baroda**

The Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate Court, Bhubaneswar on Tuesday sentenced nine Bangladeshi infiltrators including three women to two years of rigorous imprisonment each for entering India secretly without valid travel documents

Annamalai quits as BJP in-charge for all six seats

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Coimbatore/Chennai

FORMER TN BJP president **K Annamalai** on Tuesday said that he has decided to step down as the party's election in-charge for six Assembly constituencies for the Assembly elections due to his father's ill health.

The six seats for which he was appointed as the BJP's point man included Singanallur in Coimbatore from where he is widely expected to contest in the forthcoming polls. Annamalai's announcement comes amid speculation that he was unhappy about being given charge of just six Assembly constituencies.

According to a senior party source, who denied any unhappiness on Annamalai's part, the former IPS officer was not keen on limiting his activities to the state but was expecting a national-level responsibility.

BJP state president Nainar Nagenthran urged the media not to speculate, stating that Annamalai himself had cited his father's health condition as the reason for his decision.

A few days ago, seven senior BJP leaders were appointed as election in-charge for 41 constituencies which the party was keen on contesting in the NDA alliance led by the AIADMK. Annamalai was assigned Singanallur, Madurai South, Virugambakkam, Karaikudi, Srivaikundam, Padmanabhapuram seats under the arrangement.

"I am not in a position to travel more. I have informed Nainar Nagenthran, and the party will reassign poll in-charges. I am ready, however, to do campaign work, and we will discuss that within the party. Based on the party's directive, we will work for the party, alliance partners, and candidates," Annamalai said.

Chaos in Kerala Assembly over Sabari gold theft

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @T'Puram

THE Legislative Assembly was thrown into turmoil on Tuesday as the Congress-led UDF staged a fierce protest over the Sabarimala gold theft case, forcing repeated adjournments and ending in a complete walkout. The uproar began with the start of Question Hour, when Opposition boycotted the session and stormed into the well of the House, waving placards and banners accusing the LDF government of sabotaging the probe.

Leader of the Opposition VD Satheesan alleged that the Chief Minister's Office was exerting undue pressure on the SIT to secure statutory bail for key accused, including prime suspect Unnikrishnan Potti.

"We are facing a dangerous situation. We have decided to intensify our protest both inside and outside the Assembly," Satheesan declared. The situation escalated when opposition MLAs led by Anwar Sadath and TV Ibrahim attempted to storm the Speaker's dais and move toward his chamber. Watch and Ward personnel intervened, resulting in physical jostling as they tried to restore order. UDF members blocked Speaker AN Shamseer's view with banners, compelling him to suspend proceedings twice, first during Question Hour.

Both sides invoked High Court observations to attack each other over the probe. Outside the Assembly, the agitation continued as two UDF MLAs staged a sit-in demanding the resignation of Devaswom Minister VN Vasavan.

On the other hand, BJP's youth wing activists staged a march to the Kerala Assembly here. Tension rose when protesters tried to remove the barricades, prompting the police to use water cannons to disperse the crowd. Later, the police used tear gas. Three activists were injured.

Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha activists run to escape tear gas used by police during a march to the Kerala Assembly in Thiruvananthapuram on Tuesday | BP DEEPU

ED questions former TDB official Murari Babu

Kochi: The Enforcement Directorate on Tuesday questioned former TDB administrative officer Murari Babu in connection with the Sabarimala gold "loss" linked money laundering investigation in Kerala. The agency recorded Babu's statement under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. The official was arrested by the Kerala SIT and was granted bail.**PTI**

'Murgod bangle-making to gain global recognition'

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FOR generations, families in Murgod, including members of the Kajagar community and people from various faiths, have been engaged in the bangle-making trade. At present, over 1,500 artisans are employed across 30 units in the village.

Murgod bangles hold special religious significance and are sold in large quantities at fairs across North Karnataka, Goa, and Maharashtra. This traditional art will now gain global recognition with the support of modern technology, said members of the Murgod Bangle Production Foundation.

Meanwhile, artisans from the Kasaab community continue to preserve the core technique that defines this craft. For generations, they have shaped bangles by rotating heated glass pulp in a clay kiln in a swift circular motion for just 10 to 15 seconds - a skill that demands precision and experience. With modern machinery now being introduced, hopes are high that the industry is entering a new golden era.

Members of the Murgod Bangle Production Foundation engage in making bangles in Saundatti | EXPRESS

CRIME PATROL

Woman held stealing ₹1L during hundi counting

Ramanathapuram: A 40-year-old woman volunteer was caught red-handed while stealing ₹1 lakh from the hundi collection during counting at the Ramanathaswamy Temple on Monday. She was arrested and remanded to judicial custody on Tuesday. The suspect was identified as Prabhavathi, a resident of Thuraiyur in Tiruchy. **ENS**

SILENT MARCH

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin and ministers take part in a silent rally in Chennai on Tuesday to pay tributes to former CM and DMK founder CN Annadurai on his 57th death anniversary | x

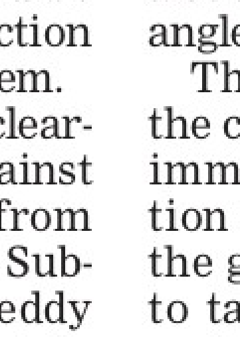
AP govt to form administrative panel to review SIT findings

S GURU SRIKANTH @ Vijayawada

TIRUMALA LADDU ROW

THE Andhra Pradesh Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu, resolved to constitute a short-tenure administrative committee to review the SIT report on the Tirumala laddu ghee adulteration scandal and its recommendations.

The decision came after a three-hour-long cabinet meeting where ministers deliberated extensively on the issue, treating it as a matter of sanctity and faith rather than politics. Finance Minister Payyavula Keshav said all officials found responsible for incidents that amounted to sacrilege against Lord Venkateswara would be treated as offenders and action would be taken against them.



The 11-page report has clearly recommended action against all concerned officials, from senior figures such as YV Subba Reddy, AV Dharma Reddy and Anil Kumar Singhal to members of lower-level committees, and stressed that they should be viewed as accused, not merely as part of an administrative lapse.

Payyavula said the short-tenure committee will examine whether there were any additional administrative lapses, giving all those concerned an opportunity to present their version, asserting that the government's approach was not driven by vengeance but by fairness and due process.

Officials who admitted that the lapses occurred knowingly, including those who signed files again, would be considered partners in the offence. The Advocate General had also been consulted on why this angle was not examined earlier.

The Finance Minister said the committee would be set up immediately, and further action would follow, adding that the government is committed to taking strict measures to protect the sanctity, purity and grandeur of the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) without any compromise.

CBI urges action on TTD officials

The CBI has asked Andhra Pradesh take suitable action against senior TTD officers, including former members, for alleged "deliberate omissions and failures" in tender conditions, leading to the supply of adulterated ghee to make the famous Tirupati laddu. The SIT accused TTD officials O Balaji, FA & CAO, AV Dharma Reddy, former additional executive officer and Anil Kumar Singhal, former executive officer, of approving tender conditions without 'application of mind'. **ENS**

EXPRESS READ

80 govt schoolkids ill after eating midday meal in Bidar

Bidar: More than 80 students fell ill after consuming midday meals at a government school in Jamalpur village of Aurad (B) taluk on Monday and are undergoing treatment at the Aurad (B) government hospital. Upon learning of the incident, Zilla panchayat Chief Executive officer Girish Badole, Assistant commissioner Mahamad Shakheel, Tahsildar Mahesh Patil, Taluk Panchayat Panchayat executive officer Kiran Patil and former minister and Aurad (B) MLA Prabhu B. Chavan rushed to the hospital and enquired about the health of the students. MLA Prabhu Chavan obtained details of the treatment from the doctors and hospital staff and directed them to provide all the necessary treatment to the children. **ENS**

Plaint against Vijay over distortion of Murugan song

Tirunelveli: Hindu Munnani members lodged a complaint with the Tirunelveli city police on Monday against TVK president Vijay, singer Velmurugan, TVK general secretary Bussy Anand, and other party functionaries, alleging that a popular Murugan devotional song was altered for political gain during the party event, hurting the religious sentiments of devotees. Speaking to the media on Tuesday, the Hindu Munnani state secretary K Kutralanathan said the complaint was filed following the rendition of the well-known devotional song 'Marudhamalai Maamaniye Murugaiya' at TVK's third anniversary celebrations. He alleged that the original lines of the song were replaced with lines praising the party and its leader. **ENS**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the General Public that our client **Smt.NETHRAVATHI.S**, W/o Sri.S.Y.Ramesh, Residing at No.112, 3rd Main Road, Sai Residential Layout, Singena Agrahara Main Road, E - City Ph 2, Bangalore - 560099, and **Sri.DHANUSH.R**, S/o Sri.Ramesh.S, Residing at Sambrama Nilaya, Rajeshwarinagar, Near Syndicate Bank, Electronic City Phase-II, Bangalore – 560 100, they are intending to purchase the Schedule properties described in the schedule below, from the present owner **Sri.M.RAVI**, S/o Late.V.Muniswamy, Residing at S.L.N Road, Jigani, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore – 560 105.., He is in peaceful possession and enjoyment of the schedule properties and our Clients are intending to purchase the Schedule Properties from the Present owners.

Any person/s having objection/s or claims, with respect to sale and transfer of the schedule properties, may with documentary evidence, lodge their objections/claims within Seven Days from the date of this notice with the undersigned, failing which, my client will proceed to purchase the schedule properties there after no further claims will be entertained and or the same will be deemed to have been waived or abandoned.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No.1. Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 50/1, Measuring to an extent of 0.27.00.00 Guntas, **Item No.2.** Agricultural Dry land bearing Survey Number 50/3 (Old Survey No. 50/1), Measuring to an extent of 0.27.00.00 Guntas, **Item No.3.** Agricultural Dry land bearing Survey Number 50/6 (Old Survey No. 50/1), measuring to an extent of 1.04.00.00 Guntas, **Item No.4.** Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 50/7 (Old Survey No. 50/5, Earlier Sy.No. 50/2), Measuring to an extent of 0.28.12.00 Guntas, The Item No.1 to 4 are Situated at M.Medahalli Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District., **Item No.5** the Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 286/2 (Old Survey No.286), Measuring to an extent of 1 Acre 15.08 Guntas and 2 Guntas of karab, **Item No.6** Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 287/2 (Old Survey No. 287), Measuring to an extent of 1.35.00.00, **Item No.7.** Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 287/3 (Old Survey No.287), Measuring to an extent of 0.22.00.00 Guntas,. **Item No.8** Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 287/1 (Old Survey No. 287), Measuring to an extent of 0.10.08.00 Guntas, Item No.9.Agricultural Dry Land bearing Survey Number 287/4 (Old Survey No.287/1), Measuring to an extent of 0.10.00.00 Guntas, Item No.5 to 9, Are Situated at Maysandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.

JSR ASSOCIATES
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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

To,

1. **Borrower: Mr. Harish.N** S/o Narayana swamy. residing at Door No 1, No 16, Sri Renuka Nilaya,1st Cross Doctor Layout, Kachamaranahalli, Bangalore, Karnataka,560087.
2. **Co-Borrower: Mrs. Hongirana.P** W/o Harish.N, residing at Door No 1, No 16, Sri Renuka Nilaya,1st Cross Doctor Layout, Kachamaranahalli, Bangalore, Karnataka,560087.

No. 1 & 2 amongst you have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to no 1. An amount of **Rs.20,19,583/-** (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Nienteen Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Three Only) is due from you, to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 02/02/2026 together with future interest at the contracted rate.

Details of the mortgaged Property: All the piece and parcel of the property bearing a residential vacant site No.9,in assessment No.103/2,old No.16,Katha No.103/2/9, Situated at Gantiganhalli village, yelahanka hobli, Bangalore North taluk, Measuring East to West:48 ft, North to South: 30 ft, in all measuring 1440 sq ft and bounded on the : East by– Road,West by – Private Property,North by – Site No.8,South by – Site No.10.

Registered demand notice was sent to Nos. 1&2 amongst you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was returned unserved. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on **29.01.2026** as per the NHB Guidelines. The borrowers and any others claiming under them are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon from **02.02.2026** within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESIAct to enforce the aforesaidsecurity. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Place: Bangalore
Date :03.02.2026

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Limited

Can Fin Homes Ltd
Tambaram Branch
No.52, 1st Floor, Rajkamal Complex,
Gandhi Road, Near Dominos Pizza,
West Tambaram, Chennai-600 045.
Phone No: 044-2226 0600 / 2226 0640 / 76250 79137.
E-Mail: tambaram@canfinhomes.com.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)"

To,

1. **Mr. A. R. Nafisur Rahman** (Borrower), No.19, Khader Manzil, 1st A Main Road, Kanakanagar, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560032.
2. **Mrs.Shabanam Frath**(Guarantors), No.19, Khader Manzil, 1st A Main Road, Kanakanagar, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560032.

No. 1 amongst you have availed a housing loan from our branch against the security of mortgage of the following asset belonging to No.1 of you. An amount of **Rs.1808973/-** (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Three Only) is due from you, to Can Fin Homes Ltd. as on 30.01.2026 together with future interest at the contracted rate.

Details of the mortgaged Property: All that piece and parcel of vacant house site, bearing Plot No.E1 measuring an extent of 1309sqft., in layout named as "Vijaya Green City Phase-III"(Regularisation approval Lr.RC.No.1114-15/2022/A1, dated: 09.11.2022, DTCP/MLP Lr.RC.No.25468/2018 CR3, dated 31.01.2019, Special Officer, (VP) Thiruporur Panchayat Union, Chengalpattu District) Comprised in Survey No.285/2, (New Sub Division Survey No.285/2A1A1A) Covered under Patta No.3273 Situated at No.31, Nellikuppam Village, Thiruporur Taluk, Chengalpattu District, within the registration District of Chengalpattu and Sub registration district of Thiruporur.

Bounded on the:- North by : Plot No D5, South by : 24feet Road, East by : Plot No. E2, West by : 60 Feet Road,

Measuring on the:- East to West on the Northern side: 30.7 Feet, East to West on the Southern side : 34.9 Feet,North to South on the Eastern side : 40 Feet, North to South on the Western side: 40.3 Feet,

In all admeasuring an extent of 1309 sq.ft., or thereabouts, There is no building in the Schedule mentioned Property.

Registered demand notice was sent to Nos. 1 amongst you under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, but the same was undelivered. The undersigned has, therefore, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known addresses of the said Borrower/s as per the said Act. Hence this paper publication. As you have failed to adhere to the terms of the sanction, the account is classified as a Non Performing Asset on 29.01.2026 as per the NHB Guidelines. You are hereby called upon to pay the above said amount with contracted rate of interest thereon from 30.01.2026 within 60 days from the date of this notice, failing which the undersigned will be constrained to Initiate action under SARFAESI Act to enforce the aforesaid security. Further, the attention of borrowers / guarantors is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to them to redeem the secured assets.

Date :03.02.2026
Place: Tambaram, Chennai

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Limited

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Public notice for Sale/Auction of immovable properties {Under SARFAESI Act read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/ charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 20.02.2026** for recovery of **Rs.20,11,877/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Seven Only)** due as on **01.01.2026** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **(1) Mr. Mahesh Domanal** S/o Danappa, House No 8, C/o H R Shivanagowda, Trimurthy Nagar, Bijapur-586104. **Also At: Mr. Mahesh Domanal** S/o Danappa, No.3490, Basavanthpur Hatti, Tq Basavan Bagewadi Dist Bijapur-586203. **Also At: Mr. Mahesh Domanal** S/o Danappa, Maxlife insurance Co Ltd., Dr Jha Marg Max House, Okhla, New Delhi-110020. **Also At: (2) Mrs. Neelambika Domanal** D/o Mahesh, No.7, Ibrahimpur, Bijapur 586109, **Also At: (3) Mrs. Neelambika Domanal** D/o Mahesh, House No 8, C/O H R Shivanagowda, Trimurthy Nagar, Bijapur-586104. **in Loan Ref No: 6713.** Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details:-

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**NIL**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs.11,11,653/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Eleven Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Three Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.1,11,165/- (Rupees One Lakhs Eleven Thousand and One Hundred and Sixty Five Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.,' payable at Bangalore.**
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 19.02.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd,** #45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027, Addressed to **Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public Auction	**On 20.02.2026 between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon** with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available on the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above.

Details of Mortgaged Property: All that Piece and Parcel of the Plot No.27, Sy No.25 of Kasaba Siddhartha Developer Bangalore Road Bijapur and Bounded as follows East By: Plot No.26, West By: Road, North By: Private Land, South By: Plot No.24.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

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Date : 03.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
AXIS BANK LTD.,

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: GOVIND BALLAL
CELL NO. 9449086490
Landline No.(office):080-25943663/3664
E-mail ID: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH (SARB)
3rd Floor, Building No.11/90 Near Old Shivaji Theatre,
OPP: Trustwell Hospital, J.C. Road, Bengaluru-560002.
Tel: 25943663, 25943664. Email: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in
Contact : Sri. Prabhat Singh Ph: 9901363648

Appendix: IV-A [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]
SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

E-AUCTION 30 DAYS SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST(ENFORCEMENT) RULES,2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrowers/Mortgagers in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured creditor, State Bank of India, the Physical possession of which have been taken by the Authorised Officer, being Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** basis on **06.03.2026** for recovery of **Rs.5,09,97,233.00/- (Rupees Five Crores nine lacs ninety seven thousand two hundred thirty three only)** as on 29.11.2025 and further interest at contractual rate from with incidental expenses, costs due to State Bank of India, Secured creditors from **Mr. Varun Kumar Shanagonda,** S/o Mr. Venkatesham Shanagonda, H. No. 785, Ground Floor, 16th Main, 23rd A' Cross, 3rd Sector, Near HSR Club, HSR Layout,BENGALURU – 560 102. **ALSO AT:** Mr. Varun Kumar Shanagonda, # 79, High Field Road, Feltham LONDON, TW 13 4DY, UNITED KINGDOM. Ph.: 00447476559404/6360776710. **Work Address:** M/s Northgate Information Solutions Ltd., 2, People Building Estate, Maylands Avenue, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, Hp2 4 NW. UNITED KINGDOM.

The Reserve price, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD), Bid Increment amount and time of E-auction and the Last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for immovable property to be sold will be as under:

Reserve Price (Below which the property will not be sold)	EMD - Earnest Money Deposit	Bid increment amount	Time & date of e -Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
Rs.4,00,00,000/-	Rs.40,00,000/-	Rs.1,00,000/-	06.03.2026 From 11:00 am to 4.00 pm	06.03.2026 up to 9.00 AM

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Tender No: **182/2025-26/CM** Property ID: **SBIN200013395891**

Title deed holders: Sri. Varun Kumar Shanagonda S/o Sri. Venkatesham Shanagonda

Absolute Sale Deed No.-1-06223-2023-24, CD No 1. 06223 dated on 04.10.2023 at SRO: Shivajinagar, Bengaluru.

SCHEDULE-A (Description of the entire property): All the piece and parcel of the converted lands bearing corporation Khata No. 177/21, (Earlier bearing survey Nos 50/1A1, 50/1A2 and 53/1 converted vide official memorandum No. B./Dis/ALN/(E)/SR:(KRH): 194/07-08 dated 14/10/2008 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru) situated at Nallurahalli Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, measuring in total 6 acres 39 guntas or 3,03,831 square feet and **bounded on the: East:** Property bearing Survey No. 50/1A3, **West:** Property bearing Survey No. 50/1A1, **North:** Property bearing Survey No. 53 and Road, **South:** Ramagondanahallli Village Boundary.

SCHEDUE 'B' PROPERTY (Undivided share in land and Apartment unit conveyed under this sale deed) : Apartment bearing No. **C5-001** having super built up area of **4,097** square feet in Ground Floor along with garden area of **753** square feet, as described in the schedule **'C'** hereunder and hereinafter referred to as, in the Residential Complex known as **"VDB WILLOW FARM"** built at the cost of the purchasers on the Schedule **'A'**, including proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use with marble flooring, RCC Roofing, wooden flush shutter doors and aluminum sliding windows, with exclusive right use and enjoy Two No's. of covered car parking space With **1.33 %** of undivided share, right title and interest and ownership in all that piece and parcel of property more fully mentioned and described in the schedule **'A'** above (after excluding relinquished area of 30382 square feet of the schedule **'A'** property) representing **3634** square feet.

To the best of knowledge of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on above property

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided by the Authorised Officer, State Bank of India, SARB, Bengaluru ie., www.sbi.co.in and website maintained by PSB Alliance Pvt Ltd, **https://baanknet.com.**

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 03.02.2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer
State Bank of India
SARB Bengaluru

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Canara Bank, ARM Branch I

2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road,
Bangalore-560001.

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable and Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **23.02.2026 (11.00 AM to 11.30 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 17,78,89,739.86/-** as on 01.02.2026 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. M/s. Lakshminarayanaswamy M Sand,** Office at : Door No. 130/4, 80 Feet Road, KHB Colony, Basaveshwara Nagar, Bangalore-560079. **2. Mr. Lakshmanappa M R** S/o. Ramaiah, Residing at 130/4, 80 Feet Road, KHB Colony, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560079. **Also at :** Mr. Lakshmanappa M R, Resding at : 138, Srinikethan 7th Main, Mens Railway Layout, Bhavani Nagar, Ullal, Bangalore South-560056. **3. Mrs. Parvathamma** W/o. Lakshmanappa M R, Resding at 130/4, 80 Feet Road, KHB Colony, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560079.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentionedin the said challan on or before **21.02.2026, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in Lacs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price Rs.	EMD Rs.	Incremental value Rs.
1	Existing Regd MODTD of land situated in Sy.No 43/P1. Khahta No 167 and 168, Dananyakanapura Village, Byatha Village, Oodigere Hobli, Tumkur District-572104. 14 acres which consists of 9 acres standing in the name of Mr. Lakshmanappa M R S/o Ramaiah and 5 acres in the name of Mrs. Parvathamma W/o Lakshamanappa M R. Out of the total 14 acres, only 4 acres of land (2 acres each in Katha No. 167 and 168) has been converted for industrial purpose. **Boundaries as follows : (1) Bytha Village Sy No 43/P1, 7 Acres-0 Guntas : East :** Sy No. 44, **West :** Sy No. 44, **North :** Land Belongs to Parvathamma, **South :** Land Belongs to Veeranna. **(2) Bytha Village Sy. No. 43/P1, 7Acres-0 Guntas : East :** Land Belongs to Lakshmanappa, **West :** Land Belongs to Veeranna, **North :** Sy No. 44, **South :** Remaining Road. **(3) Bytha Village Sy. No. 43/P1, 2 Acres-0 Guntas : East :** Remaining Land, **West :** Sy No. 46, **North :** Sy No.44, **South :** Remaining Road, **(4) Bytha Village Sy. No. 43/P1, 2Acres-0 Guntas : East :** Remaining Land, **West :** Sy No. 46, **North :** Sy No.44, **South :** Remaining Road. **Coordinates of the property** **Latitude - 13.290047** **Longitude - 77.222282**	**502.61**	**50.26**	**1.00**

Lot	Description of the Machines	Reserve Price Rs.	EMD Rs.	Incremental value Rs.
1	2 Streams of 300 TPH skid mounted sand crushing plat with stockpile 5000T and dry classification unit.	**700.00**	**70.00**	**1.00**
2	600KW/750KVA Silent diesel Generating set with CPCB-II approved acoustic encloser comprising of Cumins Model KTA-38-G13, radiator cooled diesel engine deceloping 987 BHP, at 1500 RPM, complete with standard accessories, coupled to Stamford alternator rated at 600KW/750KVA at 415 volts, three phase mounted on channel iron base frame, complete with fuel tank oh 990 litres capacity & maintenance free fully charged Cummins Pulselite batteries without panel.	**40.00**	**4.00**	**1.00**
3	1200KW/1500KVA Silent diesel Generating set with acoustic encloser comprising of Cumins Model KTA-50-G8-1, radiator cooled diesel engine deceloping 1735 BHP, at 1500 RPM, complete with standard accessories, coupled to Stamford alternator rated at 1200KW/1500KVA at 415 volts, three phase mounted on channel iron base frame, complete with fuel tank oh 990 litres capacity & maintenance free fully charged Cummins Pulselite batteries without panel.	**80.00**	**8.00**	**1.00**
4	CLA 25.220 (6*4) (VE) fully built tipper with 16 CUM std box engine 0836LFL 220 HP gear box 95 1110, rear axel AP-H9-13120 with interaxel & diff lock. Rear suspension boggle, wheel base 4525 tyre 11.008 20-16 PR with ETT front steel bumper, day cabin, ABS, BS-111.	**108.00**	**10.80**	**1.00**
	Total (LAND & BUILDING + PLANT & MACHINERY)	**1430.61**		

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in **Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com)** or E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No. 080-25310066, 9483743156, and 9866977711** during office hours on any working day.

Date: 02.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Offier**
Place: Bangalore **Canara Bank**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client Mr. R. Praveen Kumar S/o. N. Rajendrra Kumar, # 34/1, 3rd Main Road, Near Nataraja Theatre, Seshadripuram Bangalore North Seshadripuram, Bangalore - 560020.

My client is the absolute owner in possession of the All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No.34/1, Old No.34, 92 and D72, measuring East to West 30.9 Feet and North to South 30.6 Feet, in all measuring 937.87 Sq.Ft., along with building, situated at 3rd Main Road Cross, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore, presently within the limits of BBMP and bounded on:

East by : Common passage,
West by : 3rd Main Road,
North by : Inamdhars house,
South by : Ramannas Property.

My client has lost the Original property documents i.e., Registered release deed bearing Doc.No. GAN-01-01876/2015-16, C.D. No. GAND239 dated 14.08.2015, register in Gandhinagar Sub-registrar.

The said property is in possession of Mr. R. Praveen Kumar he is the absolute owner and free from all encumbrance whatsoever.

My Client had lost the above mentioned release deed Inspite of several efforts the Original deed are not found and he has lodged the police complaint through online dated 03.02.2026, Lost Report No. 2041349/2026.

If any person found or anyone having any claim or interest over the said property, he/she is requested to forward their claims along with the relevant documents to us within 07 days of this public notice. If we do not receive any claim from any person within 07 days, it will be strictly presumed that this property is absolutely free from any claim or encumbrance and no one has any claim over this property and if any One found the above deed kindly contact below mentioned.

PREMA B DUBAE - ADVOCATE
FFD VI, 4th Floor, Sampoorna Chambers,
Vasavi Temple Road, V.V.Puram Bengaluru-
560004. 080-42053588 / 080-42296969

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public at large that the property described in the schedule below is owned and possessed by the owners **Mr. Abhijit Vijay Khadilkar and Mrs. Preeti Mehta.** However, the Original Share Certificate No. 26 pertaining to Shop/Flat No. 02 on the ground floor, issued by the 'Rohan Park Co-operative Housing Society Ltd. for the property mentioned in Schedule 1, has been lost/misplaced by the current owners. They have filed/are in the process of filing an online police complaint regarding the same. If any person finds the said original Share Certificate, they are requested to return it to us, the current owners, or at the Advocate's address mentioned below within 15 (fifteen) days from the date of publication of this notice. Furthermore, no person should misuse the said document in any manner; if found doing so, appropriate legal action will be initiated against them. Additionally, if any person has any claim or objection regarding the ownership or possession of the said property, they should meet us in person with original supporting documents to resolve the matter.

SCHEDULE 1: All that piece and parcel of the property situated at Mauje Parvati (Sahakar Nagar No. 01), bearing Survey No. 64/1A (New 64/6), CTS No. 3371 and 3377, in the building known as "Rohan Park Co-operative Housing Society Ltd.", specifically, Shop/Flat No. 02 on the ground floor, admeasuring 760 sq. ft., along with an adjacent open space at the rear side admeasuring 350 sq. ft.

Date:03.02.2026

Sd/-
PATIL, GURAV AND ASSOCIATES LLP
Office No. 101 & 102, 1st Floor,
Gurukrupa Towers,Above HDFC Bank,
Opposite Indian Overseas Bank,Aranyeshwar
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BENGALURU CENTRAL CITY CORPORATION

Office of the The Executive Engineer, Shivaji Nagar Division, BBMP Building,
Thimmaiah Road, Queens Road, Bangalore-560 001
E-Mail ID: bccceesjn@gmail.com

No.EE(SJN)/QTN/01/2025-26 **Date: 02.02.2026**

INVITATION FOR QUOTATIONS

Sealed competitive quotations are invited by the undersigned for the preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the below work pertaining to Shivaji nagar Division.

Sl. No.	Description
1	Improvement of traffic junctions along arterial and sub-arterial roads in Shivaji Nagar Division to Reduce congestion, improve airflow and greener. Estimate Cost **Rs. 490.00 Lakhs,** PMC Amount : **Rs.4.90 Lakhs.**

Validity of quotations: The quotation shall remain valid for a period not less than 30 days after the deadline fixed for submission of quotations. Last date and time of receipt of quotations : **06-02-2026 latest by 4-00 PM.** Terms & Conditions are as per the tender document.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Shivaji Nagar Division, BCCC.

IN THE COURT OF THE LXXXVIIIth ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU

Com Exe Case No. 769/2016 In Misc. No. 699/1999

BETWEEN:
Karnataka State Financial Corporation, **-Decree Holder**
Bengaluru Central Branch, Ground Floor,
No. 1/1, Thimmaiah Road, Bengaluru - 560 001.
AND
M/s. Veeaar Types Online Pvt. Ltd & Others, Bengaluru - 560 001. **-Judgement Debtors**

FORM No. 29

PROCLAMATION OF SALE

[ORDER 21, RULE 66]

Notice is hereby given that,under Rule 64 of Order XXI of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, an order has been passed by this Court for the sale of the attached Schedule-A Property mentioned in the annexed schedule, in satisfaction of the claim of the decree holder in the Misc No.699/1999 decided by this Court on 13-11-2015 in which the Judgment debtors were the Respondents, amounting with costs and interest up to the date of sale to the sum of Rs. 7,60,48,114-00 (Rupees Seven Crores Sixty Lakhs Forty Eight Thousand One Hundred and Fourteen Only).

The sale will be by public auction, and the property will be put up for sale in the lots specified in the schedule. The sale will be of the property of the Judgment Debtor No,9(a), 9(c) & 9(d) above named as mentioned in the schedule below, and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained, are those specified in the schedule against each lot.

In the absence of any order of postponement, the spot sale will be held on **04.03.2026, commencing at 11 o' clock** on the spot at Fruit Street, III B Division(77 Division), Civil Station, Bengaluru. The Court sale will be held on **18.03.2026.** In the event, however, of the debt above specified and off the costs of the sale being tendered or paid before the knocking down of any lot, the sale will be stopped.

At the sale, the public generally are invited to bid, either personally or duly by authorized agent. No bid by, or on behalf of, the Judgment-creditors above mentioned, however, will be accepted, nor will any sale to them be valid without the express permission of the court previously given. The following are the further.

Conditions of Sale

1.The particular specified in the schedule below have been stated to the best of the information of the Court, but the Court will not be answerable for any error, mis-statement or omission in this proclamation.

2. The amount by which the biddings are to be increased shall be determined by the officer conducting the sale in the event of any dispute arising as to the amount of bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once be again put up to auction.

3. The highest bidder shall be declared to be the purchaser of any lot, provided always that he is legally qualified to bid, and provided that it shall be in the discretion of the Court or Officer holding the sale to decline acceptance of the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make if advisable to do so.

4. For reasons recorded it shall be in the discretion of the officer conducting the sale to adjourn it subject always to the provisions of rule 69 of Order XXI.

5. The person declared to be the purchaser of the schedule properties shall pay immediately after such declaration a deposit of 25 per cent on the amount of his purchase money to the officer conducting the sale, and in default of such deposit the property shall forthwith be put up again and re-sold.

6. The full amount of the purchase money shall be paid by the purchaser before the Court closes on the fifteenth day after the sale of the schedule properties, exclusive of such, day, or if the fifteenth day be a Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the fifteenth day.

7. In default of payment of the balance purchase money within the period allowed, the property shall be re-sold after the issue of a fresh notification of sale. The deposit, after defraying the expenses of the sale, may, if the Court thinks fit, the forfeited to the Decree holder and the defaulting purchaser shall forfeit all claim to the property or to any part of the sum for which it may be subsequently sold.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court, this 3rd day of February 2026.

SCHEDULE-A PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Municipal D. No. 59 (old), 44(new) situated in Fruit Street, III B Division (77 Division) Civil Station, Bangalore, measuring East to West 35" and North to South 33" and bounded on the :

East by : Fruit Street, West by : Mohideen Khan's House, North by : Kasim Sahib's House, South by : Dawood Khan's House.

Advocate for Decree holder
Dr.T. Somashekar,
BENGALURU-560 009
Mobile No.90083 45412

By order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
Commercial Court Urban
City Civil Court, Bengaluru

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The Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited

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Vijayawada-521137, Andhra Pradesh, India. Tel: +91-866-2429999
Fax: +91-866-2429977, Email: contracts-ho@apmdc.in

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Selection of Agency for Hiring of School Buses for APMDC Public School, Mangampet located at Mangampet (V), Obulavaripalli (M), Tirupati District

Tender No: APMDC/P&C/School Buses to APMDC P School-M'Pet/2025-26, Date.04.02.2026

APMDC invites E-tenders from reputed contractors for Selection of Agency for Hiring of School Buses for APMDC Public School, Mangampet located at Mangampet (V), Obulavaripalli (M), Tirupati District. For more information on the eligibility criteria, tender fees, timelines and other details, please visit e-procurement website of GoAP **(www.tender.apeprocurement.gov.in)** or APMDC website **(www.apmdc.ap.gov.in)**. The tender document will be available for download from 04.02.2026 onwards.

Place: Vijayawada **Sd/- Managing Director,**
Date: 04th February, 2026 **The A.P. Mineral Development Corporation Limited**
DIPR No.4792PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22, Dt.03/02/2026

ASHOKANAGAR CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.

1380/B, 6th Cross, Ashoknagar, Banashankari 1st Stage, 2nd Block,
Bangalore-560 050. Ph: 080-26506213, 26606365, Mobile: 99642 16663

APPENDIX-IV
Security Interest (Enforcement) Act 2002, Rule-8(1)

POSSESSION NOTICE

(For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Ashokanagar Co-operative Bank Limited, No.1380/B, 6th Cross, Ashokanagar, BSK I Stage, II Block, Bangalore-560 050,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [Act 2002, (54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule [3] of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice dated. 19.11.2025 calling upon the borrowers **1 Mr.Vinay Kumar Swamy S/o Late.Ramesh B V. 2. Mr. Kirana C E S/o Eshwarappa C S S** to repay the loan amount mentioned in the notice **Rs.35,20,606.00./-(Rupees Thirty Five lakhs Twenty Thousand Six Hundred & Six Only)** as on **18.11.2025** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said Notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in General that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in excise of the powers conferred on him under section (4) of section 13 of Act, read with Rule 8 of the security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **30th day of JAN, 2026.** (*Previously Given 13(4) notice dated 20th day of JAN , 2026 has been voided.)

The Borrower in Particular and the Public in General are here by cautioned **NOT TO DEAL WITH THE PROPERTY** and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Ashokanagar Co-operative Bank Limited, No.1380/B, 6th Cross, Ashokanagar, BSK I Stage, II Block, Bangalore-560 050 for an amount **Rs.35,20,606.00./-(Rupees Thirty Five lakhs Twenty Thousand Six Hundred & Six Only) as on 18.11.2025** and interest there on and other charges.

[The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of the time available, to redeem the secured assets.]

Name of the Borrower	Amount Payable	Description of the Immovable Property
1.Mr.Vinay Kumar Swamy S/o Late.Ramesh B V, Saketh Hillside Appartment , Fluvium Block F003, 3rd Cross, Gurudatta Layout, Hosakerehalli, Bsk 3rd stage, Bengaluru- 560085 **2. Mr. Kirana C E S/o Eshwarappa C S S** No.F A 61,2nd main behind HAL Hospital, HAL old township, Vimanapura, Bengaluru- 560017.	**Rs.35,20,606/-(Rupees Thirty Five lakhs Twenty Thousand Six Hundred & Six Only) as on 18.11.2025 and interest there on and other charges**	Immovable Residential Schedule A **Item No 1:** Eastern Portion of Residential Converted Land bearing Sy No 6/1, BBMP Katha No 1033/924/6/1, measuring 31.5 Guntas (including 1 Gunta of Kharab Land) out of 1 Acre 23 Guntas (including 2 Guntas Kharab Land) situated in Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, duly converted from Agricultural to Non Agricultural Residential Purpose Vide Deputy Commissioner, Order bearing No ALN(S) SR(S.U)32/09-10 dated 08.10.2009, now coming under the purview of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Ward No 160 and bounded on the East by Remaining portion of Sy No 6/1, belonging to Mr S Vasantha Rao with existing RCC Roof building along with protective mesh compound along the border, West by Remaining Portion of Sy No 6/1, purchased by M/s. Saketh Builders from Smt V K Bharathi, North by 30 feet Road (towards North East Corner) and remaining Property bearing Sy No 6/1, i.e Datta Layout Property and South by Private Property bearing Sy.No.136 **Item No 2:** All that piece and parcel of western portion of residential Converted Land bearing Sy No 6/1, BBMP Katha No 1032/924/6/1, measuring 31.5 Guntas (including 1 Gunta of kharab Land) out of 1 Acre 23 Guntas (including 2 Guntas Kharab Land) situated in Hosakerehalli Village Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, duly converted from agricultural to Non Agricultural Residential Purpose vide Deputy Commissioner, order bearing No ALN(S) SR (S.U)32/09-10 dated 08.10.2009 now coming under the purview of BBMP Ward No 160 and bounded on the East by Remaining portion of Sy No 6/1, purchased by M/s. Saketh Builders from Smt V K Bharathi., West by Property bearing Sy No 7, North by 30 feet Road(towards North West Corner) and remaining Property bearing Sy No 6/1, i.e Datta Layout Property, and South by Private Property bearing Sy.No.136. Both the items having amalgamated property bearing Municipal/ BBMP No 1032/924/6/1, Converted Land bearing Sy No 6/1, duly converted from Agricultural to Non Agricultural Residential Purpose vide Deputy Commissioner, order bearing No. ALN(S) SR (S.U) 32/9-10 dated 08.10.2009 situated in Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now coming under the purview of BBMP Ward No 160., totally measuring 66429 Sq feet and having a common boundary as hereunder: East by : Remaining Portion of Sy No 6/1, belonging to Mr S Vasantha Rao with existing RCC Roof building along with protective mesh compound along the border, West by: Property bearing Sy. No 7, North by Road (towards North West Corner) and remaining property bearing Sy No 6/1, i.e. Datta Laout Property, South by: Private Property bearing Sy No 136. **Schedule 'B': 302 Square Feet of undivided share, right, title and interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property.** **SCHEDULE 'C' A Two Bed Room** Flat No. 003, in the Ground floor of "FLUVIUM BLOCK, IN Apartment building known as " SAKETH HILLSIDE" Constructed on Schedule 'A' Property having a Super built-up area of 1225 Sq feet along with one covered car parking slot provided in the Stilt/Basement, together with proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, staircases, lift, generator, corridors, overhead tank, sump water and other areas of common use (including one half depth of joints between the ceiling of the building above it and internal and external walls between such levels).

Place: Bangalore **For Ashoknagar Co-operative Bank Ltd.**
Date: 30-01-2026 **Authorised Officer**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	**1) Ms. Chandini B R, D/o. Late Rukmini B D (Co-Borrower & Legal Heir of Borrower Deceased Mrs. Rukmini B D, W/o. Ramachandra)**	**Loan Account No. 46450430000089 Loan Amount: Rs.5,00,000/-**	**Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All the piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential Property bearing No.2, Janjaru No.262. totally Measuring 40x30 feet. Situated at at Begur Village Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District Presently comes under the limits of Kambalipura Village Panchayath and **Bounded by the: East by:** Venkatesh Paya, **West by:** House of Dasappa, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Property belongs to Siddeshappa.	**Date of NPA: 02-12-2025. Demand Notice Date: 31.01.2026**	**Rs.4,71,095.07** (Rupees Four Lakh Seventy One Thousand Ninety Five and Seven Paisa Only) **due as on 26-01-2026**

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 04.02.2026, Place: Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

Canara Bank
A Government of India Undertaking

ARM Branch– II, 2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001.
Telephone numbers 080-25310181 – e-mail – cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the **ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank,** the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of will be sold on **24.02.2026** **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below. **(₹. in Crores)**

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<tr><th>Sl. No.</th><th>Borrower Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets</th><th>Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice</th><th>Description of Immovable Properties (Name of owner/mortgagor to be mentioned)</th><th>Auction Date & Time</th><th>Incremental value at the Bid</th></tr>
<tr><td>1.</td><td>1) M/s Lakshmi Biotech, D-9/139 SFS 407, 4th Phase, New Town, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064. Also at: 175/5, 10th cross, Thyagaraja nagar, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004. (2) Mr. T Kullayi Reddy S/o T Ramachandra Reddy, D-10, SCC Saphire Apartment, Ananthapura Gate, Yelahanka Bengaluru-560064. (3) Mrs. T Sunitha Lakshmi W/o T Kullayi Reddy, D-10, SCC Saphire Apartment, Ananthapura Gate, Yelahanka, Bengaluru-560064. And also at: Flat No.415 & 416, S-LIG, First Floor, 35th Block, 5th Floor, Housing Board, Yelahanka New Town, Bengaluru-560064.</td><td>Rs. 10,06,79,133.01 (Rupees Ten Crore Six Lakhs Seventy Nine Thousand One Hundred Thirty Three and One paisa only) plus further interest thereon from 02.02.2026 along with expenses, other charges, etc.</td><td>2 No.s of residential Shirke LIG Flats located at 5th phase, Karnataka Housing Board, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560064.
Details of flat wise is given below
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<tr><th>Block No</th><th>Flat No</th><th>Floor</th><th>SBA</th><th>Extent</th><th>Reserve Price</th><th>EMD Amount</th></tr>
<tr><td>35</td><td>415</td><td>1st</td><td>269.1</td><td>Land measuring East to West 10.25 mts and North to South 11.00 mts Total 112.75 sq mts</td><td>Rs. 5,02,225/-</td><td>Rs. 50,222.50</td></tr>
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<tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>Total</td><td>Rs. 10,04,450/-</td><td></td></tr>
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01.00 PM to 03.00 PM</td><td>Rs. 25,000/-.</td></tr>
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OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.**(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.**(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **23.02.2026**, to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. **(i)** Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. **(ii)** Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. **(iii)** Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e-mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com.** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. **(f)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs.25,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **(g)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.(h)** For sale proceeds of **Rs.50.00 Lakhs (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. (i)** All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **(j)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **(k)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach **Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru,** who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. **(l)** Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. **(m)** After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act

For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2- ((9113092975, 8921102717, 9201460154, 7561062889, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) e-mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 03.02.2026 **Sd/- Authorised officer**
Place: Bangalore **Canara Bank**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

NOTICE OF SALE THROUGH PRIVATE TREATY

SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS CHARGED TO THE BANK UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002. (SARFAESI ACT)

The undersigned as Authorized Officer of Jana Small Finance Bank Limited has taken over **Physical Possession** of the schedule property under the SARFAESI Act.

The Authorized Officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** had already conducted multiple public auctions for selling the property, but they turned out to be unsuccessful as no bids were received. Hence please be informed that if the total outstanding dues in the aforesaid loan account are not paid within **Fifteen (15) Days** from the date of this publication of this notice, then the Authorized officer will proceed for sale via private treaty of the property as stated below.

Public at large is informed that the secured property as mentioned in the Schedule are available for sale through Private Treaty, as per the terms agreeable to the Bank for realization of Bank's dues on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**

Standard terms & conditions for sale of property through Private Treaty are as under:

1. Sale through Private Treaty will be on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS".**
2. The purchaser will be required to deposit 100% of the sale consideration on the expiry of publication of this notice.
3. In case of non-acceptance of offer of purchase by the Bank, the amount if any paid along with the application will be refunded without any interest with in the stipulated time.
4. The purchaser should conduct due diligence on all aspects related to the property (under sale through private treaty) to his satisfaction. The purchaser shall not be entitled to make any claim against the Authorized Officer/ Secured Creditor in this regard at a later date.
5. The Bank reserves the right to reject any offer of purchase without assigning any reason.
6. The purchaser has to bear all stamp duty, registration fee, and other expenses, taxes, duties, society dues in respect of purchase of the property.
7. Sale shall be in accordance with the provisions of SARFAESI Act / Rules.

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<tr><th>Sr. No.</th><th>Loan Account Number</th><th>Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrowers</th><th>Amount as per 13(2) Demand Notice under SARFAESI Act.</th><th>Reserve Price for Private Treaty</th></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">1</td><td>45348640004494</td><td>1) Mr. T T Sunil, Prop. of S S Engineering Enterprises, Also at: S S Engineering Enterprises, 2) Mrs. Rekha</td><td>Rs.88,85,749.17 (Rupees Eighty Eight Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Nine and Seventeen Paisa Only) due as on 11-03-2025</td><td>Rs.80,00,000/- (Rupees Eighty Lakh Only)</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="4">Details of Secured Assets: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.64, Portion of Assessment No.57, Khatha No.332, situated at Kammagondanahalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and Bounded on: East by: Site No.65, West by: Site No.63, North by: Muniyappa's Property, South by: 20 Feet Road. Measurement East to West: Northern side: 38'-0" Ft, Southern side: 33;-0" Ft and North to South: Eastern side: 67'-0" Ft, Western side: 66'-0" Ft., in all total measuring 2360.75 Sq.ft.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">2</td><td>30258300000196</td><td>1) Mr. Santhosh J, 2) Mrs. Premaleela, 3) Mr. Bichitrananda Singh, Also at: M/s. V.J. Industries Pvt. Ltd.</td><td>Rs.4,89,564.00 (Rupees Four Lakh Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Four Only) as on 14-07-2024</td><td>Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh Only)</td></tr>
<tr><td colspan="4">Details of Secured Assets: Schedule "A": All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted lands totally measuring about 11 Acres and 18 Guntas including the Kharab Land in Survey Nos.39/1, 39/2, 40/3 and 42/1 all situated at M.Medahalli, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore and Bounded on the: East by: Lands in Survey No.43, West by: Road, North by: Mayasandra Gadi & South by: Lands in Survey No.41.
Schedule "B": Property to be conveyed: The undivided share, right, title and interest in the schedule "A" Property mentioned above works out to 195 square feet.
Schedule "C": Apartment: Residential Apartment bearing No.A-102, Khatha No.577, Assessment No.T-9-FF-A-102, First Floor of Tower 9 consists of One Hall, One Bed Room, Kitchen, Bath Room and a balcony along with covered car parking space bearing No.18 in the Residential Apartment Complex known as "Janaadhar Subha" constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property, having a super built up area of 400 Sq. Ft. with vitrified flooring and the proportionate share in the common areas, such as, passage/s, stair/s, duct/s, well and/or room/s, water, drainage and/or electrical conduit/s and/or other area/s used in common with the Purchaser/s of other Apartment/s and is Bounded on: East by: B-101 & Corridor, West by: Open Space, North by: Open Space & South by: Tower No.8.
The super built area means and includes the exclusive Floor Area of each Apartment Unit and the proportionate areas covered by common wall/s, passages/s, stair/s, duct/s, well and/or room/s, water, drainage and/or electrical conduit/s, parks, open parking and/or other area/s used in common with the Purchaser/s of other Apartment/s.</td></tr>
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The aforesaid Borrower's/ Co-borrower's attention is invited to provisions of section 13(8) of SARFAESI Act for redemption of secured assets mentioned hereinabove by tendering the aforementioned outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the bank before the sale of secured assets.

Correspondence Address: **Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362951653), email: ranjan.naik@janabank.com. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited, (formerly known as M/s. Janalakshmi Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.), having Office The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.**

Date: 04.02.2026, Place: Bangalore & Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank | Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd. 4/10, Mythree Tower, Bommanhalli Hosur Main Road Bangalore- 560068

Notice under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 is being issued by ICICI Bank Ltd. (on the underlying pool assigned to ICICI Bank by Dewan Housing Finance Ltd.) in relation to the enforcement of security concerning a Housing Loan Facility granted pursuant to a Loan agreement entered into between DHFL and the following borrower(s) who has/have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest towards the Loan Facility(ies) obtained by them from the secured creditor. The Loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them at their last known addresses; however, it has returned un-served and hence, they are hereby notified by way of this Public Notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ & Address (DHFL Old LAN & ICICI New LAN)	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Abdul Kareem/ Aarshana Kareem/ No.96 2nd Cross C Layout Bannimantap Behind Bannimantap Ground Mysore– 570015/ QZMYS00005029477	Schedule All that piece and parcel of residential Property bearing House No. 752, Situated at J.S.S. Extension, Bannimantap 'B' Layout, Mandi Mohalla, Mysore City, Mysore & Site Dimension: East to West: 18.28 Meter, North to South: 12.19 Meter, Total Area: 222.91 Sq. Meters Bounded by: East: Road, West: Site No. 757, North: Site No. 753, South: Site No. 751, And constructed RCC House on It with a Plinth area of Ground Floor 395 Sq.ft. Red oxide. Flooring & 1183 Sq.ft. Mosaic Flooring & First Floor 1490 Sq.ft. Mosaic Flooring, having Electricity, Water and Sanitary Connections.	02.12.2025/ Rs. 39,09,635.00/-	08/10/ 2025

The steps are being taken for substituted service of Notice. The above borrower(s) and/or the guarantor(s) of the Loan (as applicable) is/are advised to make the payments of the outstanding within the period of 60 days from the date of the publication of this Notice else, further steps will be taken as per the provisions of the Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: February 04, 2026
Place: Bangalore

Authorised Officer
Team ICICI Bank

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Canara Bank, ARM Branch I

2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road,
Bangalore-560001.

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **27.02.2026 (10.30 AM to 11.00 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 5,95,74,573.46/-** (Rupees Five crores ninety five lakhs seventy four thousand five hundred and seventy three and paise forty six only) as on 01.02.2026 with further interest and cost thereon to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. Shri Sendhil Elumalai** S/o. Elumulai Govindaraj, # 10, O 2nd Street, Near Shree Complex, Shivan Chetty Gardens, Bangalore-560042. **2. M/s. PSB Distributors,** 19/1, Sadashiva Reddy Compound, Behind Baldwin School, R M Nagar Main Road, Banaswadi, Bengaluru, Karnataka-560043. **3. Shri Sendhil Elumalai,** R/o. 401/7, 14th Main, Old Madivala, BTM 1st Stage, Bengaluru-560029, **4. Shri Bhaskar .M,** No. 1534, 39th Cross, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560041.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **26.02.2026, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incremental value Rs.
1	Flat No. F-402, 3rd floor F block, Sy No. 108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. **Boundries : North :** open to sky of the apartment building, **South :** Common corridor, **East :** open to sky of the apartment building, **West :** Residential apartment privately numbered as F-401. **Coordinates of the property :** **Latitude - 12.8053267N Longitude - 77.6770091**	40.00	4.00	1.00
2	Flat No. F-403 3rd floor F block, Sy. No. 108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. **Boundries : North :** common corridor, **South :** open to sky of the apartment building, **East :** Open to sky of the apartment building, **West :** Residential apartment privately numbered as F-404. **Coordinates of the property :** **Latitude - 12.8053267N Longitude - 77.6770091**	40.00	4.00	1.00
3	Flat No. F-404, 3rd floor, F block, Sy No.108/3, 108/2, Measuring super built up area of 1089 Sqft along with 400 Sqft of undivided interest in land at Garden Residency Apartment, Bommasandra, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore 560099. **Boundries : North :** common corridor, **South :** open to sky of the apartment building, **East :** Residential apartment privately numbered as F-403, **West :** Lift area. **Coordinates of the property :** **Latitude - 12.8053267N Longitude - 77.6770091**	40.00	4.00	1.00
4	Residential Villa old: property bearing Sy No.119/2 panchayat khatha 92/180 S Medahalli Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore. New: Property bearing Villa No.180/6A, Sarjapur, Athipalli Cross Road, Sarjapur, Bangalore-562124, Extent 3841.66 Sqft. **Boundries : North :** Road, **South :** property bearing Sy No. 117, **East :** property bearing Sy No. 119/1, **West :** property bearing Sy No. 119/3. **Coordinates of the property :** **Latitude - 12.834639 Longitude - 77.780889**	222.00	22.20	1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or **E-Wallet of M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, **Canara Bank, Ph. No. 9901642631 and 9483544116** during office hours on any working day.

Date: 03.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Offier
Canara Bank

THE KARNATAKA STATE CO-OPERATIVE APEX BANK LTD.

APEX
No.1, 'UTHUNGA', Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560018.
Phone: 080-26983700, 26983722, 22976600
E-mail: recoverycell@karnatakaapex.com

AUCTION SALE NOTICE

AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY UNDER SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.

Whereas, the Bank has issued notice under Section 13 (2) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (4) of the Act, the **Authorised Officer, The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd, Bengaluru - 560018** has taken possession of the mortgaged properties including those more fully described hereunder, and the Bank has decided to sell the below mentioned property under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act 2002, read with the relevant Rules 6(2) & 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Sl. No.	Details of the Borrower / Guarantor	Description of Property and Boundaries & Measurement	Reserve Price and EMD Amount	Balance Outstanding Amount to be paid to Bank	Date & Time of Opening Tender & Place of Auction
1	**Borrowers:** **1) Sri Maddurappa. M S/o. Muttaiah Shetty,** Since deceased represented by his legal heirs; **1(a) Sri Shivakumar. M S/o. Late Maddurappa. M,** No. 86, Vasanthpura, Subramanyapura Post, Bengaluru - 560061. **Also at:** No.3362, Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 078, **1(b) Smt. Meenakshi. M D/o. Maddurappa. M, 1(c) Smt. Manjula. M D/o. Maddurappa. M, 1(d) Sri Manjesh. M S/o. Maddurappa. M,** **1(b) to 1(d) all are residing at:** No. 442, Somanahalli Village, Water Tank Road, Kanakapura Main Road, Bengaluru South Taluk, Bengaluru - 560082. **Guarantor:** **2) Sri A.T. Chandrashekhar S/o. Thimmashetty,** No. 123/1, Jaraganahalli, Chikkaswamy Layout, Bengaluru - 560078. **Also at:** No-13, 1st Cross, Chikkaswamy Layout, Jaraganahally, J.P. Nagar, 6th Phase, Bengaluru - 560078.	All that piece and parcel of property bearing No. 3310, 12th Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 15.00 feet and North to South 40.00 feet along with building and bounded on: **East by :** Private Land, **West by :** Road, **North by :** B.D.A. Vacant Land, **South by :** Remaining portion of the same Property.	**Rs.67,67,500/-** (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Only) **EMD: Rs.6,76,750/-** (Rupees Six Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Only) (10% of the Reserve Price)	**Rs.26,55,578/-** (Rupees Twenty Six Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy Eight Only) **as on 02-02-2026**	**19-02-2026 at 11.30 AM No.1, "UTHUNGA", Pampa Mahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560018**

Terms and Conditions of Auction Sale:- 1) The Tender form can be collected from **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., No. 1, "UTHUNGA", Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560018. (Phone: 080-26983700 / 26983722 / 22976600 / 22976663)** on all working days during office hours. **2)** The intending bidders should submit their bids in the prescribed tender form in closed cover along with EMD being 10% of the Reserve Price by means of Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order drawn in favour of **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Bengaluru** - payable at Bengaluru. The Demand Draft / Banker's Cheque / Pay Order shall be drawn after the date of publication of this Auction Sale Notice. **3)** Tenders not in the prescribed format will not be accepted. The tender along with the EMD shall be submitted at **The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., Bengaluru** latest by **18-02-2026 before 5.00 PM.** Tender without EMD shall be summarily rejected. **4)** The property **"WILL NOT"** be sold below the reserve price. **5)** In case the bidder is not successful the EMD amount will be refunded without interest. **6)** The EMD amount shall be liable for forfeiture without prior notice, if the bidder including successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Auction Sale. **7)** The sealed tenders will be opened by the Authorised Officer in the presence of the available / attending bidders **on 19-02-2026 at 11.30 AM. 8)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the Sale Price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, by Demand Draft / Pay Order / RTGS / NEFT and the balance of the Sale Price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property will be put for re-auction. **9)** The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues / taxes / charges / property tax / E B charges / water charges / conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws. **10)** The Authorised Officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all of the tender or / bid / offer and / or adjourn / postpone / cancel the Auction Sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify any of all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice. **11)** The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank. **12)** The property can be inspected by the intending bidders **between 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM** at their expenses at the address mentioned in the Schedule. **13)** The property is put for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" and "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"**. The intending bidder shall satisfy them self about the title, ownership, statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property.

For further details the intending bidders may contact the Authorised Officer, The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd., No. 1, "UTHUNGA", Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560018 for ascertaining the details of property and also for inspection of property (Phone No: 080-26983700 / 26983722 / 22976600 / 22976663) E-Mail ID: recoverycell@karnatakaapex.com

Place : Bengaluru
Date : 03-02-2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Karnataka State Co-Operative Apex Bank Ltd.,

Indian Overseas Bank

Residency Road Branch Retail Mart
Janardhan Towers, Bengaluru- 560025,
Karnataka, Email ID: iob0268@iob.in

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (No. 54 of 2002)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Indian Overseas Bank** has taken possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the Web Portal **https://BANNKNET.in**

Name & Address of the Borrowers: Mrs.Rashmei Sharma and Mr.Aayoush Sharma W/o Ajay Kumar Sharma A- 502 ASPEN Tower, Near Columbia Asia Hospital Godrej Woodsman Estate Hebbal Bellary Road, Bangalore North-560024

Date of NPA: 28.09.2024 **Date of Demand notice: 30.09.2024.**

Dues claimed in Demand Notice: Rs.62,75,276.00 (Rupees Sixty two lakhs seventy five thousand two hundred and seventy six only) **as on 30.09.2024 with further interest & costs.**

Date of possession notice: 04.12.2024

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.63,81,293/- as on 03.12.2024 with further interest & costs less repayments, if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues as on 01.02.2026 is Rs. 72,78,610/- (Rupees Seventy two Lakh Seventy eight Thousand six hundred and ten only) **with further interest & costs till the date of repayment in full. *Local Self Government (Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: Schedule "A" Property: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site No: 21, old Katha No.582/0/21, BBMP New Katha No: 641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under the purview of BBMP ward No.8 measuring East to West 70 feet & North to South 40 feet. Situated at Kodigehalli Village , Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, bounded on : Boundaries: East by: Site No-18 West by: Road North by: Site No-22 South by: Site No-20.

Scedule "B" Property : All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing site No.22, Old Khatha No.582/0/22 New Khatha No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, coming under the purview of BBMP ward No.8 measuring East to West 70 feet and North to south 40 feet situated at: Kodigehalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, bounded on: East by: Site No-17 West by: Road North by: Site No-23 South by: Site No.21

Scedule "C" Property (Description of the Apartment) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat No: GF-01, 2BHK on the Ground Floor in the Apartment Building known as "Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya" car parking along with 230 Sq.ft of undivided share constructed in Site No's. 21 & 22 measuring in total 5600 Sq.ft vide Amalgamation Khatha No.641/1/582/0/31/33/21, Schedule A & B property hereto with a Super built up area of 1342 Sq.ft along with 230 Sq.ft undivided share, right title & interest in the land comprised in the schedule 'A' property and one covered car parking in the apartment building known as "Shri Sai Shanthi Nilaya " at Kodigehalli Village , Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk 560 092 which is standing in the name of Mrs.Rashmei Sharma and Mr.Aayoush Sharma. Boundary of the flat as follows: East by : Private Property West by : Flat No. GF-03 North by : Private Property (open to sky) South by : Flat No.GF-02 The property inclusive of proportionate right to use in common area such as passage, Staircase, and other area of common use with concealed wiring together with specifications. **The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is:**

Sr. No.	Property Details	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increase Amt
1	Residential flat property as detailed above	Rs.44,80,000/-	Rs.4,48,000/-	Rs.50,000/-

Date & Time of auction: 20.02.2026, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Bid increase amount: Rs. 50,000/- **Auto extension time: 10 minutes**

Known Encumbrance if any: Not Known to the Bank

Inspection Date & Time: During office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 03.02.2026 to 19.02.2026.

***Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues.**

For terms and conditions please visit: **https://www.iob.in/e-Auctions.aspx**
https://www.publishtenders.gov.in https://BANNKNET.in/bidder-registration
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Date: 02.02.2026,
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorized Officer
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Email:- Jdagr.qc.agri@rajasthan.gov.in, Jdagrqc@rediffmail.com

No.: F6()J.D.Ag./QC/e-Bid/2025-26/1294 **Date:- 21.01.2026**

e-Tender Notice

The Joint Director Agriculture (Quality Control) Durgapura, Jaipur Invites following online bid from the eligible bidder:-

Name of work	Total estimated cost	Bid start Date	Bid submission End date & time
Supply & installation of Laboratory Equipments from Manufactures or their Authorized Distributors / Dealers for the use in "Departmental Laboratory under Department of Agriculture, Government of Rajasthan."	Rs. 207.00 Lakh (Rupees Two Hundred seven Lakh only)	23.01.2026 10.00 AM	11.02.2026 6.00 PM

Details may be seen in the bid document at the website of e-procurement portal **http://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in,** state public procurement portal **http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in, http://agriculture.rajasthan.gov.in** and **http://dipr.rajasthan.gov.in**

Sd/- (Madhu Lata Singh)
Joint Director Agriculture (Q.C.)

DIPR/C/1635/2026

THE HOTEL INDUSTRIALISTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

Regd. Office: "Sahakara Sourabha", No.234, 2nd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajapet, Bengaluru - 560 018.
Phone: 080-26678329, 26612482, 41277283, E-mail: ho@hicbank.com, Website: www.hicbank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE

See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr. Chandrakanth M G S/o Govindaraju, residing at: No.301, 4th Floor, Pristina Apartment, Annaiah Reddy Layout, 6th Phase, JP Nagar, Bengaluru-560078.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 1,04,29,829/- (Rupees One Crore Four Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Nine Only) as on **20.11.2025** and interest thereon.

Branch: Jayanagara **Demand Notice Dated : 25.11.2025** **Possession Notice Date: 31.01.2026**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.263, PID No.3217070201, formed by Bangalore Development Authority, situated at Anjanapura Layout, 4th Block, Bangalore, measuring East to West: 6.00 Meters, North to South: 9.00 Meters, in all measuring 54.00 Sq.meters, and bounded by the following boundaries: Bounded By: East: Site No.264, West: Site No.262, North: Site No.253, South: Road. Built Area: Ground plus two floors=2400 Sq.ft. with RCC Structure.

2) Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : (1) Mr. Ravishankar S S/o Mallikarjuna S **residing at :** No.208, 2nd Floor, Vibha Samruddhi, 1st Main, Pai Layout, Bengaluru-560016.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 35,40,404/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Forty Thousand Four Hundred Four Only) as on **20.11.2025** and interest thereon.

Branch: Chamrajpet **Demand Notice Dated : 25.11.2025** **Possession Notice Date: 31.01.2026**

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE "A": All that piece and parcel of Immovable Property bearing Plot Nos.319,320,321,322,323,324,325,326,327,& 328, present BBMP Katha No.38/338/39/179/3/319 to 328, carved out of Converted Sy Nos. 67 & 72 (converted from agricultural to non-agricultural residential purpose vide its bearing No. B.DIS.ALN/SR(S)214/1993-94, dated 17/04/1994 the conversion order is accorded by the Thasildar, Bangalore South Taluk), situated at formerly known as Nagavarapalya, Benniganahalli Dhakale, presently known as Pai Layout, Benniganahalli, KR Puram Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, presently comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP totally measuring 12000 Sq.feet, and bounded by the following boundaries: Bounded By: East : Road, West : Road, North : Road, South : Plot Nos. 329 and 330.

SCHEDULE "B": 270 Sq.ft undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned is Schedule "A" above.

SCHEDULE "C": Flat bearing No.208, in the Second Floor, measuring about 1233 Sq.ft. super built up area, containing Two bed rooms, along with one converted car parking space, together with RCC Roofing, Vitrified flooring, including proportionate share in common area such as passages, lobbies, Lift, Staircase, etc., in the multistoried residential building known as "VIBHA SAMRUDDHI" constructed over Schedule "A" Property.

Date : 31.01.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Hotel Industrialists Co-Op Bank Ltd.

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A Scheduled Commercial Bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 &12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangala Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

E-AUCTION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE THROUGH E-AUCTION UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT (SARFAESI ACT) 2002, READ WITH PROVISO RULE 8(6) & 9 OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002.

The undersigned as authorised officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the following property in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI ACT. The Borrower in particular and public at large are informed that online auction (e-auction)of the mortgage property in the below mentioned account for realisation of dues of the Bank will be held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS "** and **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** on the date as prescribed as here under.

Sr. No.	Loan Account Number	Name of Original Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor	Date of 13-2 Notice	Date of Possession	Present Outstanding balance as on 31.01.2026	Date & Time of Inspection of the property	Reserve Price in INR	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in INR	Date and Time of E-Auction	Last Date Time & Place for submission of Bid
1	47059610000065	1) Mr. Mahesh S M, 2) Mrs. Saraswathi	19-06-2025	31-12-2025	Rs.3,71,493.76 (Rupees Three Lakh Seventy One Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Three and Seventy Six Paisa Only)	24.02.2026 Time: 09:30 AM to 05:00 PM	Rs.24,22,500/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Twenty Two Thousand Five Hundred Only)	Rs.2,42,250/- (Rupees Two Lakh Forty Two Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Only)	09.03.2026 @ 02:00 PM	07.03.2026, Till 5.00 PM Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd., The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071
	Details of Secured Assets: All that piece and parcel for the Property Khaneshumari No.120/97/A, Measuring East to West: 17.6783 Meters and North to South 11.5823 Meters, situated at Somedyapanahalli Village, Somedyapanahalli Grama Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District and **Bounded on: East by:** Property belongs to Basavaiah, **West by:** House belongs to Kenchamma, **North by:** Rajabeedi, **South by:** Property belongs to Bommegowda.									

The properties are being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** & **"AS IS WHAT IS BASIS"** and the E-Auction will be conducted **'On Line'.** The auction will be conducted through the Bank's approved service provider **M/s. 4 Closure** at the web portal **https://bankauctions.in** & **www.foreclosureindia.com.** For more information and For details, help, procedure and online training on e-auction, prospective bidders may contact **M/s. 4 Closure; Contact Mr. Varun B Contact Number: 8142000809. Email id: info@bankauctions.in/ Karnataka@bankauctions.in..**

For further details on terms and conditions to take part in e-auction proceedings and any for any query relating to property please contact **Jana Small Finance Bank authorized officers Mr. Ranjan Naik (Mob. No.6362951653).** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorised Officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties. However the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property put on prior to submitting their bid. No conditional bid will be accepted. This is also a notice to the above named Borrowers/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors about e-auction scheduled for the mortgaged properties. The Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with up to date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of auction, failing which the property will be sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost.

Date: 04.02.2026, Place: Bangalore Rural **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX-IV-A (See Provison to Rule 8(6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provison to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive Physical Possession of which has been taken by **The Authorized Officer of BANK OF INDIA,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for Recovery of below mentioned amount/s. The details of Borrower/s / Guarantor/s / Secured Asset/s Dues / Reserve Price / e-Auction Date, Time & EMD are mentioned below.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/s / Guarantor/s / Mortgagor (s)	Description of the Immoveable Property	Branch Name Account No; Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price EMD Amount	Status of Possession (Symbolic / Physical)	Property Inspection Time
1.	**1. Mr. Sridhar M S (Borrower)** 10/17, Sri Keshava Krupa, Maruthinagar, 1st Main Road, Madiwala, Bangalore - 560068. **Also At : Mr. Sridhar M S** Flat No- 6/7, 3rd Floor, Padma Palace Apartment, Municipal No- 6/7, Plot No-6, PID No: 76-46-6/7, Brigade Street, Bengaluru - 560025. **2. Mr. Murali G S/o. Gopalnayak (Guarantor)** House No. 41, Hommarasali Village, Hampapura Hobli, Mysore - 571125.	**Schedule 'A' Property :-** All that piece and parcel of the Residential Plot bearing No. 6 (previously Eastern Portion of Plot No. 6), Situated at Bride Street, Langford Town, Bangalore - 560025, Admeasuring all about 3175.06 Sq.Feet and property is bounded on the : **East by :** Private property, **West by :** Common Passage to ingress and egress and property belonging to legal heirs of Late Smt.Chitra Sukumar, **North by :** Property bearing No. 6/1 belonging to Sri Prithvi Jayasurya, **South by :** Private property. **Schedule 'B' Property :-** A total of approximately 454 Square Feet Undivided Share, Right, Title and Interest in Land i.e the Schedule 'A' property. **Schedule 'C' Property :-** All that piece and parcel of the residential Apartment bearing No. 6/7, on the Southern side of the Third Floor, in the building known as " Padma Palace" Constructed on the Schedule A Property, having super built up area of 1400 Sq.Ft. (1250 Sq.Ft. of Built Up Area), along with One Car Parking space in the Ground Floor and the Apartment is construction of RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring, Brick Wall, including other amenities provided to the entire Apartment.	**Branch : Asset Recovery Branch** **For Home Loan (840575110000374) and personal loan (84056021000012) for recovery of an Aggregate Amount of Rs. 1,94,21,482/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety Four Lakhs Twenty one Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Two) along with further interest thereon @ 10.20% p.a. compounded with monthly rests, costs and other charges due**	**10-03-2026 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm**	**Reserve Price : Rs. 1,31,50,000/-** **EMD : Rs. 13,15,000/-**	**Physical**	**10.00 AM To 4.00 PM** **Contact Details +91 98504 77529**
5.	**1. Mr. Sridhar M S (Borrower)** 10/17, Sri Keshava Krupa, Maruthinagar, 1st Main Road, Madiwala, Bangalore - 560068. **Also At : Mr. Sridhar M S** Flat No. 6/6, 3rd Floor, Padma Palace Apartment, Municipal No. 6/7, Plot No. 6, PID No. 76-46-6/7, Brigade Street, Bengaluru- 560025 **2. Mr. Murali G S/o. Gopalnayak (Guarantor)** House No. 41, Hommarasali Village, Hampapura Hobli, Mysore - 571125. **3. Mr. Mahesha S S/o. Siddegowda** H.No. 412, 11B Cross, Near Oxford School, J. P. Nagar, 1st Phase, Bengaluru - 560078.	**Schedule 'A' Property :-** All that piece and parcel of the Residential plot bearing No. 6 (previously Eastern Portion of Plot No. 6), Situated at Bride Street, Langford town, Bangalore - 560025 and Measuring in all about 3175.06 Sq.Feet and property is bounded on the : **East by :** Private property, **West by :** Common Passage to ingress and egress and property belonging to legal heirs of Late Smt.Chitra Sukumar, **North by :** Property bearing No. 6/1 belonging to Sri Prithvi Jayasurya, **South by :** Private property. **Schedule 'B' Property :-** A total of approximately 454 Square Feet Undivided Share, Right, Title and Interest in land i.e the Schedule 'A' Property. **Schedule 'C' Property :-** All that piece and parcel of the Residential Apartment bearing No. 6/6, on the Northern side of the First Floor, in the building known as "Padma Palace" constructed on the Schedule A Property, having Super built up area of 1400 Sq.Ft. (1250 Sq.Ft. built up area), along with One Car Parking Space in the Ground Floor and the Apartment construction is of RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring, Brick Wall, including other amenities provided to the entire Apartment.	**Branch : Asset Recovery Branch** **For Home loan (840575110000375) and Personal Loan (840560210000123) for recovery of an Aggregate Amount of Rs. 2,02,42,122/- (Rupees Two Crore Two Lakhs Forty Two Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Two) along with further interest thereon @ 10.20% p.a. compounded with monthly rests, costs and other charges due**	**10-03-2026 between 11.00 am to 05.00 pm**	**Reserve Price : Rs. 1,31,50,000/-** **EMD : Rs. 13,15,000/-**	**Physical**	**10.00 AM To 4.00 PM** **Contact Details +91 98504 77529**
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To will oneself moral and to will oneself free are one and the same decision

Simone de Beauvoir

INDIAN EXPRESS IS NOT AN INDUSTRY. IT IS A MISSION.

— **Ramnath Goenka**

WHAT FIN COMM GIVES WITH ONE HAND, IT TAKES WITH THE OTHER

THE 16th Finance Commission's decision to tweak the formula through which central taxes are shared with the states, even while retaining states' total share at 41 percent, has drawn mixed responses. By introducing each state's contribution to India's GDP as a new criterion with a 10 percent weight, the commission has made a token gesture towards rewarding the better-performing states. At the same time, it has downgraded demographic performance (rewarding population control) from 12.5 percent to 10 percent. The income distance criterion (measuring per-capita income against a benchmark state) was trimmed from 45 percent to 42.5 percent, while total population (per the 2011 Census) was bumped up to 17.5 percent from 15 percent, and total area slashed from 15 percent to 10 percent. The tweaks favouring economic performance hand gains in shares to Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana despite the unchanged total share. In contrast, populous states such as Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Bihar and Odisha face losses or stagnation.

The real blow comes from the decision to abolish revenue deficit grants (RDGs) and state- or sector-specific grants. The southern states, already squeezed by GST impacts, are the hardest hit. Kerala's tax share has risen marginally from 1.92 percent to 2.38 percent, well short of its demanded 2.79 percent; but its ₹53,137-crore fall in RDGs and other targeted aid would largely wipe out any benefit. Tamil Nadu has termed its minor increase to around 4.097 percent over five years as insultingly meagre, despite its blistering growth and outsized contributions to the national exchequer. Karnataka, boasting 8.7 percent of the national GDP and topping per-capita tax collections, is fuming over continued under-allocation.

The southern states are also protesting Delhi's miserly disaster relief—while BJP-ruled states like Maharashtra and UP pocket generous aid—amid a tax kitty eroded by central cesses that are outside the divisible pool. Debt-laden states have resorted to off-budget borrowings to conduct daily operations and invest in capital expenditure. The commission has demanded they discontinue this practice and bring all borrowings onto official budgets for transparency. With the Centre itself projecting a debt-to-GDP ratio of 55.6 percent in 2026-27, it has little appetite for the states' cries for higher shares. Given the lack of elbow room, we can expect the decibel on demands to stay high for now.

TITLE ISN'T EXCLUSIVE, BUT A DOCTOR'S JOB IS

THE recent Kerala High Court order removing the restriction on physiotherapists and occupational therapists from using the honorific 'Dr' with their names has expanded the definition of the term 'doctor' in India. Though the move is largely welcome, some concerns remain. Observing that the word originally meant a learned individual qualified to teach, the court said the contention that the title exclusively belongs to medical professionals is a modern misconception. The ruling is in line with the worldwide understanding that 'doctor' is an academic honorific signifying the highest level of education, and no single profession can claim an exclusive legal monopoly on it.

While the Indian Medical Association and some individual doctors wanted the court to restrain physiotherapists and other medical professionals from using the title, the ruling underlined the absence of provisions under the National Medical Commission Act to do so and grant medical doctors exclusive rights to it. Significantly, the court also upheld the provisions of the National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professions Act, 2021, which grants comprehensive recognition to all healthcare professionals including physiotherapists and occupational therapists.

While the ruling acknowledged the role played by physiotherapists, it also earmarked clear boundaries, saying they cannot prescribe medicines. The ruling can help overcome classism in the Indian health sector and change how allied health professions are seen. This is a victory for the idea of a multi-disciplinary, patient-centric healthcare that integrates professionals who collaborate to provide comprehensive care.

However, it must be noted that the title 'doctor' cannot be treated lightly. It bestows onerous responsibilities on those bearing it, as the title is generally associated with people trained and licensed to diagnose and treat. More people using the prefix would not necessarily mean having more doctors in the classical sense; only that we have more people considered competent and trained to treat in specific ways. All qualified medical professionals need to be treated with dignity. But at the same time, it's necessary to ensure that the title isn't misused to con people and profiteer illegally. Meanwhile, the lack of clarity in law about the title's use should be cleared up at the soonest with a new provision.

QUICK TAKE

MEASURING FARM DISTRESS

IT'S a pity that when asked about the outstanding farm debt across the country, the government resorted to seven-year-old numbers. According to the Situation Assessment Survey of 2019, quoted in Parliament on Tuesday, the average debt of agricultural households was ₹74,121—at a time when the average monthly income was a meagre ₹10,218. A slightly more recent assessment, carried out by the government-owned Nabard in 2021-22, shows that more than half of all agricultural households had loans averaging ₹91,231. The picture gets more worrying in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu, where the share of indebted households crosses the three-fourths mark. What's needed is an honest discourse on the financial distress of farmers, starting with a fresh survey to get an updated picture.

The Epstein files are a borderless force smashing icons and upturning ideas hitherto considered durable. It's yet another potent punch signalling the end of a world we knew

THE MORAL VOID LEFT BY EPSTEIN REVELATIONS

SUGATA SRINIVASARAJU

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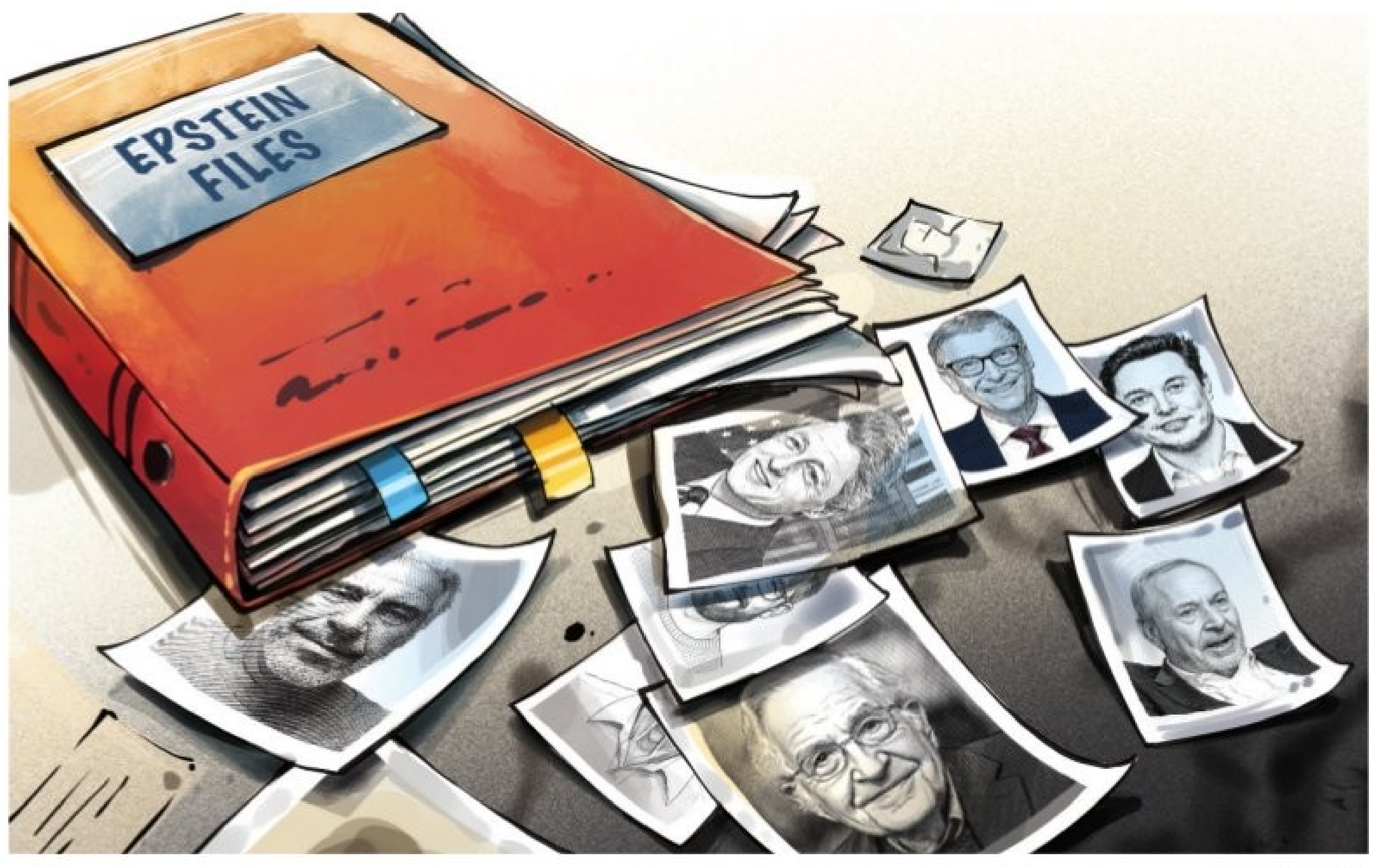

MANDAR PARDIKAR

MORE of Epstein files are out. They have spread more shock and more disgust, while confirming more networks and further establishing the addictions, afflictions and hypocrisies of the super-rich, super-powerful, super-privileged, super-intelligent, super-successful and super-creative. There is no category left on his dubious list. There is everybody from spiritual masters to atheists. From anarchists to academics. From film people to flimsy hedonists. Then there are politicians of all shades and cruelties resembling an ideal beyond ideologies.

In other words, on the Epstein list are the proverbial 1 percent that we often speak about when we discuss the global elite. To watch the extravagance that these absolute types indulge in, to seek gossip about them, to obsess about their fashions and lifestyles, to measure their morality, their marriages and their wreckages is an institutionalised sport for the proverbial 99 percent. It is not only Donald Trump's threats and arbitrary actions that suggest the end of a world order. It is the Epstein files, too, in a profound way. They offer a layered and metaphorical undoing of everything we thought was real and permanent.

The true shocker in the categories, besides the presence of the predictable—how much more shock can one continue to gather about Bill Clinton, Bill Gates or Elon Musk?—is the existence of the super-conscionable types too, like linguist, grand dissident and philosopher Noam Chomsky. That name casually floating up the stack of a convicted paedophile's emails has the ability to numb people in ways not known before.

It's not about casting salacious aspersions for mere association. It's a new frontier featuring the crumbling hopes of a whole range of people who knew Chomsky's work and were, *suo motu*, represented by his moral arguments. It is a moment when cynicism lands not like a torrent, but a tsunami on humanity.

For some others, the mention of the Dalai Lama 169 times in the mails may be similarly distressing. It makes us wonder if there is anyone immaculate and virtuous left anymore.

This kind of large-scale smashing of images and brands perhaps happened last at the height of the Cold War, when two worldviews clashed. When doubts and fences were erected overnight around un-coopted political and cultural figures. It was when icons came tumbling down in town squares when the West effected a change of disagreeable regimes. However, the Epstein files are a bloodless and borderless revolution that has smashed regimes that occupied our minds and ordered around our hearts and habits.

What more is needed to end the world order that we know when a Chomsky, a principled anarchist who wouldn't succumb to any power in the world, is seen meowing in the labyrinths of Epstein's noxious mind. One may want to caveat it by stating that all names that figure in the mails need not have crossed the threshold of Epstein's pleasure rooms or sought a visit to his exotic island. But moral shaming in the age of social media is flat and uniform. The adjectives and invectives reserved for the worst offender also applies to the least offender.

Social media operates on uncomplicated binaries of the good and the bad. It is absolutist in its judgement and does not allow space for human frailties, which in another age would perhaps have had accommodation. We were often taught to separate the work from the personal, and the moral transgressions of an artist or a mahatma. Ethical crises were not overrated. But no more. The new media space thrives on simplistic models of perfection, and its algorithms are taught to place small and big deviations in the same basket. There is only outrage after that, no reasoning. Only sides to be taken—no pondering, no literature and certainly no philosophy.

Even if one assumes that people like Chomsky, one of a few good ones in a lost world, only made an error of judgement due to a momentary dimness of intellect or depletion due to age, it still exposes chinks in their formidable armour that the world thought they alone possessed. And sadly, that armour was about their ability to smell an oppressor or an oppressive act from thousands of miles away. Their moral compass was said to have the most sensitive sensors to track the murmurings of the mind and its morals, power and its putsch. With Chomsky, especially, it is not just the collapse of one argument, but that of an entire universe.

If Epstein's admission of guilt and conviction in 2008 did not ring the alarm bells for people like Chomsky, one is left to wonder what leverage Epstein had over them and what pillows had smothered their judgement. In a 2019 email, Chomsky nearly empathises with Epstein, recalls his own experiences, and teaches him to dodge the press: "What the vultures want is a public response… how do you prove you are not a neo-Nazi… or a rapist or whatever charge comes along? In general, it's best not to react… it's the best advice I can think of." It reads as if he was desperately manufacturing consent for Epstein within himself. He did not want to see or seek any evidence, his default method when it came to all those who wielded power and ran nations.

Philosophy textbooks say that Chomsky's ethical analyses were always based on what he called 'the principle of universality'. By which he meant that at the very least, we should apply to ourselves the same standards we apply to others. He argued that we are fond of using ethical language as a way of protesting against others, but we are less inclined to pass judgement on ourselves. Now, in his own lifetime, Chomsky has been forced to apply his own analyses and hold himself accountable.

As regards the rest of the rich and powerful on the Epstein list, it appears what British writer Jeremy Seabrook wrote a decade ago was accurate and prescient: "In recent years, wealth has been spectacularly rehabilitated, so the rich are no longer seen as jackals or vultures or hyenas or all the other bestiary of exploitation, as they were seen as in the 19th century. They have become kind of philanthropists and benefactors of humanity. We are all pensioners of the rich now."

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SMALL WINDOW TO REDESIGN PENSION

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INDIA is reworking the architecture of social security. The labour codes are edging closer to implementation, with draft rules under public consultation. At this juncture, a central question comes into focus: will the evolving design of social security align with workers' lived realities? One clue lies in how provident funds are being accessed.

In June 2025, the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) raised the auto-settlement limit for advance claims from ₹1 lakh to ₹5 lakh. In the 10 weeks that followed, close to 70 percent of PF advance claims were processed automatically. From an administrative standpoint, this is a success. From a system design perspective, it invites a deeper enquiry into what workers expect.

PFs were conceived as instruments of long-term savings. In practice, workers increasingly use them to manage unavoidable disruptions to income and consumption. The instinctive explanation is weak financial discipline. That reading misses a deeper reality. For a large share of India's workforce, liquidity is not a preference; it is a constraint. When wages are modest and uncertainty persistent, the time value of money weighs heavily on every decision.

Seen this way, withdrawals are signals on how workers smooth consumption across uneven working lives. The larger question, therefore, is what role PFs should play and where responsibility for old-age income should ultimately rest.

For this, India's constitutional framework offers an anchor. Article 366(17) defines pension expansively, covering not only periodic retirement payments but also gratuities and returns from PF contributions. Seen in this light, pension is an income support that continues when earning ability declines or ends. The EPF system is distinctive because it translates this idea into a rights-based framework during working life.

The Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS) was designed to carry this logic forward, but only partially. The 10-year minimum service condition and refunds for shorter service were introduced as fairness measures. Over time, they have had the opposite effect, steadily shrinking the pension pool. This is often described as the 'cobra effect', where incentives undermine the outcome they were meant to secure. Locking the pension component until retirement, even at a modest level, could establish a predictable income floor and prevent distortions.

Whether such redesign is feasible depends not only on institutional choices, but also on demographic timing. In this respect, India's population profile strengthens the case for acting now, but only if it is read carefully. Contributors outnumber potential pensioners in India by roughly three to one, a balance most advanced economies lost long ago. This is not a guarantee; it is an opportunity. Much of the working-age population remains outside contributory systems altogether. That is precisely why design choices matter.

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Contributors outnumber potential pensioners in India by roughly three to one, a balance that will change soon. While it lasts, India needs to rethink the purpose of wage ceilings and reorient the policy architecture for a labour market shaped by platforms, short contracts and multiple income streams

India's workforce will continue to expand for another two to three decades before ageing accelerates. So the constraint India faces today is not demography, but institutional reach. Pension sustainability is shaped less by how old the population is, and more by who is covered, for how long and under what rules.

Many of these constraints surface in quieter parameters that govern entry and exit. Wage ceilings are one. In India, they have historically functioned as thresholds for exclusion. This is most explicit in EPS, which restricts enrolment for those earning more than ₹15,000 a month. Even where EPF allows a voluntary window, the pension element remains closed.

Internationally, wage ceilings define contribution limits. Treating ceilings as contribution thresholds preserves universality while managing fiscal exposure. Extending EPS coverage to all workers up to the wage ceiling would also reduce the long-term risk of a shrinking contributor base.

Recent policy reflects a shift in this direction. Under PM Viksit Bharat Rozgar Yojana, employers receive graded incentives of ₹1,000, ₹2,000 and ₹3,000 per month across rising wage bands. The capped incentive of ₹3,000 broadly aligns with the employer's 12 percent contribution at wage levels around ₹25,000, indicating that higher bases are already being accommodated within a fiscally-bounded design. Eligibility and subsidy are consciously separated. This logic can guide pension reform as wage ceilings are revisited.

This moment also invites a deeper rethink of the policy architecture. India's social security systems remain organised around employer and employee, contractor and contractual worker. It sits less comfortably with a labour market shaped by platforms, short contracts and multiple income streams.

India's digital public infrastructure enables a shift in design from institutions to workers and transactions. Individuals form the first layer; firms, contractors and platforms the second; and the transaction itself the third, where value is created and rule-based contributions can be embedded wherever digital trails exist.

Adequacy remains a parallel concern. Pension systems perform best when benefits are adequate, financing is sustainable and institutions are trusted. India scores low on adequacy and coverage because too few workers remain within contributory systems long enough to build meaningful pensions. Expanding EPS and locking its pension component in a measured manner could address both gaps.

Used well, this moment can help anchor a Viksit Bharat where growth is matched by dignity across a working life.

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Cricket mediation

Ref: *ICC must stop regional politics* (Feb 3). The escalating boycott threats and tit-for-tat decisions highlight how cricket's integrity is under threat now more than ever. The ICC's reactive stance—especially under an Indian chairman—only fuels perceptions of bias. The sport urgently needs an independent, neutral mediation mechanism to separate on-field rivalries from off-field politics.

Abbharna Barathi, Chennai

Musical dissent

Ref: *The joke is on us* (Feb 3). When artists speak on social issues, it reflects real human experiences behind art. While some prefer entertainment without politics, music has always reflected its times and encouraged conversation. We may not all agree, but we can recognise the power of artists to inspire dialogue beyond the stage.

Angla B Phom, email

Budget reactions

Ref: *Laudable on what it does* (Feb 3). No sooner was the budget presented than there were bouquets and brickbats hurled at it. But the finance minister tried to provide a semblance of balance between macro fundamentals and micro metamorphoses.

Venkat Desikan, email

States' discipline

Ref: *For one nation, one budget day* (Feb 3). Manufacturing hype aside, fiscal health hinges on how states manage their books. Presenting all state budgets on the same day as the Union's would align timelines, sharpen scrutiny and encourage coordinated debt discipline across the federation.

Avinashiappan Myilsami, Coimbatore

Border transparency

Ref: *Chaos in LS* (Feb 3). Unless the Leader of Opposition raises such issues how would the people know what is happening at the India-China border? It's an irrefutable fact that there is no transparency about ground realities at the border area. Not allowing Rahul to speak gives the perception that there is something fishy in the matter.

D Sethuraman, Chennai

Don's disruptions

Ref: *US tariff slashed* (Feb 3). Trump has remade the world to his liking. He has disrupted India's energy partnership with Russia, pushed China to change export policies, humiliated Venezuela, allowed Israel to get away with excesses and almost made Iran crumble. Only the EU and the UK seem to be holding on. But for how long?

Philip Alexander, email

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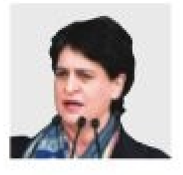

Priyanka Gandhi Vadra @priyankagandhi
India's millions of farmers want to know what the terms of this trade agreement are? Is the Modi government planning to fully open the Indian agricultural sector to America?

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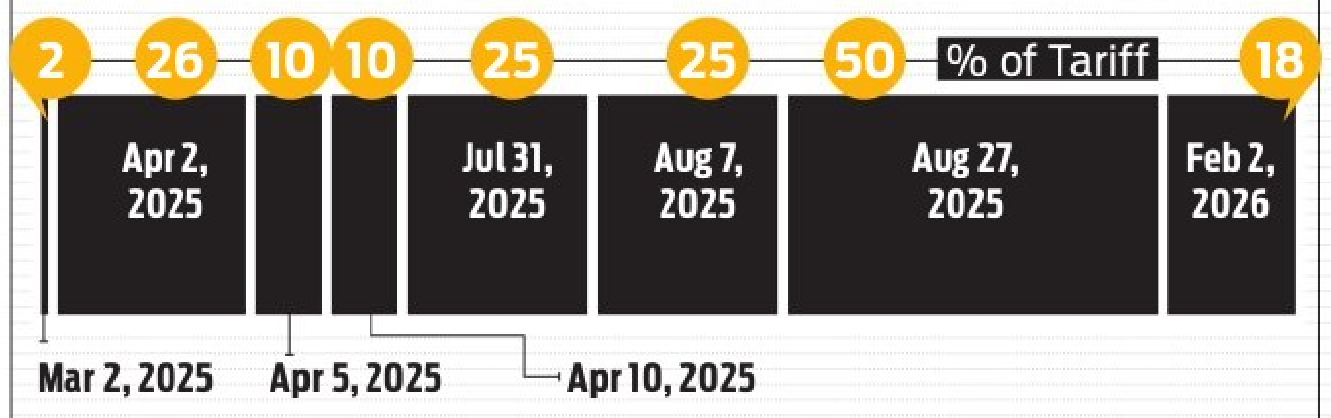
US TARIFFS ON INDIAN COMMODITIES
(SINCE JANUARY 2025)

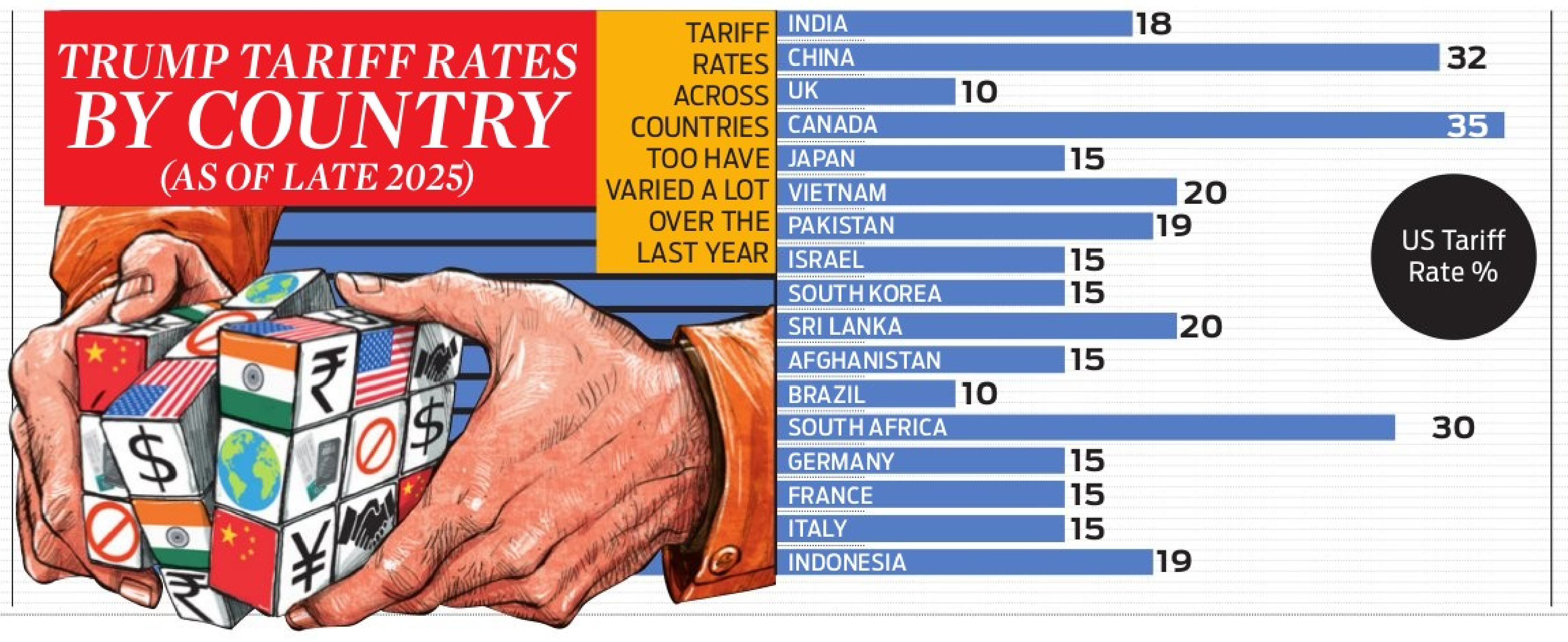


Since last one year, after Trump returns to office the tariff rate has seen enormous volatility. Earlier, it remained the same around 2-3% with scant or no fluctuation at all

China faces high tariffs (30–34%), while Russia's trade with the US is shaped mainly by sanctions. Among allies, the UK faces low tariffs, around 10%. Canada has a dual regime—non-USMCA goods face 35% tariffs, while USMCA-compliant products are duty-free. Japan, Israel and South Korea face around 15%, reflecting trade agreements. Bangladesh and Vietnam face higher tariffs (20–37%), with Pakistan at about 19%, placing it in the mid-range.

TRUMP TARIFF RATES BY COUNTRY
(AS OF LATE 2025)

TARIFF RATES ACROSS COUNTRIES TOO HAVE VARIED A LOT OVER THE LAST YEAR



US Agriculture Secretary Brooke Rollins said that the deal would expand American farm exports to India, help cut the $1.3 billion agri trade deficit, and boost rural incomes in the US

● Walkout of Rajya Sabha ● Nadda says nothing to hide, ready to talk about the deal ● For the 1st time in parliamentary history, LoP not allowed to speak, says Cong

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GOVT DENYING RIGHTS TO OBCs: SANJAY YADAV

RJD leader Sanjay Yadav on Tuesday accused the Modi government of merely referring to Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in speeches and publicity material while systematically and deliberately depriving the OBCs of their rightful benefits and representation. While participating in the debate on the Motion of Thanks to the President's Address in the Rajya Sabha, Yadav said there was a "huge difference between the government's policy and action" when it came to OBC welfare.

GREEN HYDROGEN COSTS TO COME DOWN

The government has taken multiple steps, such as production incentives, to reduce the manufacturing cost of green hydrogen, Parliament was informed on Tuesday. The government is implementing the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM), with an objective to make India a global hub of production, usage and export of Green Hydrogen and its derivatives, Union Minister of State for New and Renewable Energy Shripad Yesso Naik said in a written reply in Rajya Sabha.

PM Narendra Modi, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, BJP national president Nitin Nabin and others during the NDA Parliamentary Party meeting on Tuesday | **PTI**

Oppn says govt 'afraid' of trade deal discussion

PARVEZ SULTAN @ New Delhi

AS the Opposition members started protesting in the Rajya Sabha demanding a discussion on the Indo-US trade deal, Union minister and Leader of the House J P Nadda on Tuesday announced that the government is ready to discuss the deal in minute details. He also said the government would make a suo-motu statement on the details of the deal.

Criticising the Opposition for creating ruckus over the issue, Nadda said their frustration is visible. "It has become their habit to see bad even in good things," he said, referring to the trade deal.

The minister said the government has never shied away from discussion on subjects, including Viksit Bharat Rozgar Ajeevika Mission Gramin (VB-GRAMG) scheme and special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, sought by the Opposition, but the problem is that they are left with no issues. "This methodology is fatal for democracy and amounts to irresponsible behaviour of the Congress and the INDIA bloc… I want to assure the House that the government is ready to discuss the Indo-US trade deal and provide all minute details, and the minister concerned will explain everything. The government will come out with a suo motu statement on the trade deal," said Nadda.

He was responding to the Opposition's demand for a discussion on the trade agreement. Congress leader Jairam Ramesh raised the issue soon after the Zero Hour ended and alleged that the information about the deal was being received from Washington instead.

Opposition members were on their feet, raising slogans against the government, as they moved towards the front row. Subsequently, members of several Opposition parties, except the TMC, staged a walkout from the House while demanding a discussion. TMC said it staged a separate walkout on the treatment of SIR-hit families by Delhi police.

As Opposition members started protesting in the House, Nadda said that the Opposition is trying to create an atmosphere in the country that the government is hiding something. Meanwhile, the Opposition MPs continued raising slogans alleging that the interests of the country were being bartered.

Taking on the Congress, Nadda said, "You are an issueless party now. You have got no issues. This is very irresponsible behaviour, and in a way this is anti-national behaviour. It is anti-national." He said the US President had informed about the reduction in tariffs on Indian goods through a post on social media and also referred to PM Modi as a "true friend".

'Oppn should listen'

As Opposition members started protesting in the House, Nadda said that the Opposition is trying to create an atmosphere in the country that the government is hiding something. Chairman C P Radhakrishnan said that when the government is making a statement, they should listen.

Rahul slams Indo-US deal, says govt has 'sold out' hard work of farmers

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

CONGRESS leader Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday lashed out at the Modi government on the Indo-US trade deal, saying the Prime Minister has "sold out" the hard work of Indian farmers through the agreement.

"The main thing is that our Prime Minister has been compromised. The people of India will have to think about who did it and why… The farmers of India must understand that in this trade deal, the PM has sold off their labour and blood and sweat. Not just farmers, the entire country has been sold," Gandhi said.

Congress general secretary in charge of communications Jairam Ramesh demanded that the Modi government take Parliament into confidence and that the text of both the EU and US trade deals be laid on the table of both Houses and debated.

"Just like the ceasefire, the announcement of the trade deal was also made by US President Trump. It has been stated that the trade deal is being done 'on Modi's request'," Ramesh wrote on X.

He said the text of the EU and US trade deals must be debated in both Houses, especially since US Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins has issued a statement claiming that India has liberalised agricultural imports from the US.

"In his Truth Social post of late last night, President Trump wrote that the India-US trade deal was being announced and coming into effect immediately at Modi's request. That request was no doubt made to create diversionary headlines because his capitulation to China had been exposed by Rahul Gandhi in Lok Sabha yesterday afternoon," said Ramesh.

It has also been said that the government will not buy oil from Russia, but will buy from America and Venezuela instead, the Congress pointed out.

No formal communication yet from India on oil purchase, says Moscow

JAYANTH JACOB @ New Delhi

THE Kremlin on Tuesday said it has received no communication from New Delhi on halting purchases of Russian oil, responding to US President Donald Trump's claim that India would stop buying crude from Moscow following the announcement of a new India–US trade deal.

Trump on Monday announced the trade agreement, announcing lower reciprocal tariffs and expanded market access for American goods, while asserting that India would cease imports of Russian oil and significantly increase purchases from the United States.

India has confirmed the tariff-reduction component of the deal, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi welcoming the move after a phone conversation with Trump. However, New Delhi has not commented on any decision to stop buying Russian oil.

Abrupt halt may harm India

While India has confirmed the 18% tariff, it has made no statement on ending Russian oil purchases — a long-standing point of friction between Washington and New Delhi. Ratings agency Moody's warned that an abrupt halt to Russian oil imports could hurt India's economy.

"So far, we haven't heard any statements from New Delhi on this matter," Kremlin spokesperson Dmitry Peskov told reporters. Peskov said Russia attaches high importance to its ties with India and intends to continue strengthening the bilateral partnership. "We respect bilateral US-Indian relations. But we attach no less importance to the development of an advanced strategic partnership between Russia and India. This is the most important thing for us, and we intend to further develop our bilateral relations with Delhi," he said.

Russian Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Novak echoed the cautious tone, saying Moscow had only seen public statements so far. "We'll see how the situation develops," Novak said and added that demand for Russian energy remained strong.

White House officials on Monday also said that the additional 25% punitive tariff imposed on India over its Russian oil purchases would be withdrawn, bringing the final reciprocal tariff rate to 18%. The US embassy spokesperson in Delhi said that the final tariff will be 18 per cent.

Can't play with Indians' data, Meta told

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY
@ New Delhi

EXPRESSING serious concern over data sharing by social media platforms WhatsApp and Meta, the Supreme Court on Tuesday came down heavily on the companies, saying, "You can't play with the right to privacy in this country".

Hearing a batch of appeals filed by WhatsApp and Meta, a bench headed by Chief Justice Surya Kant said, "You (WhatsApp and Meta) have to follow the rules. We will not allow you to share a single piece of information. You can't play with the right to privacy in this country. You might have taken the data of millions of people. This is a decent way of committing theft of private information. We will not allow you to use it."

The bench said the manner of data sharing amounted to a "mockery of constitutionalism" and questioned how user consent could be considered valid when acceptance of the policy was compulsory. The court noted that what had been held against the companies was that the consent obtained was "manufactured consent."

The observations were made while hearing appeals arising from the CCI order imposing a penalty of ₹213.14 crore on Meta for WhatsApp's 2021 "take it or leave it" privacy policy. The court was hearing a plea filed by the CCI challenging the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal's findings.

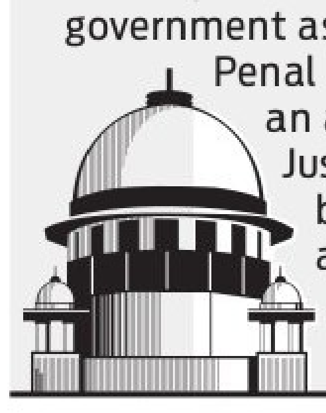
Citing an example, the court asked whether a poor woman selling fruits on the street would understand the terms of the privacy policy. "You know your commercial interest, and you also know how you have made consumers addicted to the app, the bench said.

Raising concerns about opt-out mechanisms, the court asked, "If the users have a right to opt-out, how will the users know this right exists? When it comes to opting out, the information is in a newspaper. How will a person know?"

The bench directed WhatsApp to file an affidavit explaining its privacy policy and data sharing, and listed the matter for hearing on February 9.

ALSO IN TOP COURT

SC asks UP govt why IPC provisions not invoked



The Supreme Court on Tuesday questioned the Uttar Pradesh government as to why appropriate provisions of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) were not invoked in an FIR lodged in an alleged hate crime in Noida in 2021. A bench of Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta was told by Additional Solicitor General K M Nataraj, who appeared for Uttar Pradesh, that they have initiated an inquiry against the concerned investigating officer.

Delayed verdict is identifiable ailment, says SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

TERMING the practice of high courts reserving judgments for months without pronouncing them as an "identifiable ailment", the Supreme Court on Tuesday stressed that such delays must be eradicated to ensure better dispensation of justice to litigants.

A three-judge bench of Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi heard a plea alleging that the Jharkhand High Court orally pronounced a judgment dismissing a petition on December 4 last year, but the verdict has not been uploaded.

The Chief Justice said there were those who reserve judgments but deliver them, and those who delay indefinitely.

'Only 273 availed funds for poor prisoners in 2 yrs'

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

DESPITE repeated reminders following a revised guidelines for supporting poor prisoners lodged in jails, in the past two and half years since the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) the scheme for them, only 273 jail-mates received assistance under it with 20 of 36 states and Union Territories (UTs) failed to spend even a single penny on this count and benefitted none.

However, 107 prisoners received support in Maharashtra with the state government spending over ₹18.68 lakh. Madhya Pradesh followed with an expenditure of a little over ₹9.93 lakh benefitting 38 prisoners, and Uttrakhand with an expenditure of nearly ₹7.76 lakh benefitting 37 inmates, according to official government data.

The scheme was launched in 2023, providing cash bail of up to ₹40,000 and penalty payment of up to ₹25,000 for each undertrail prisoner to reduce overcrowding of prisons, officials in the MHA said.

According to the latest MHA data, 20 states and UTs reported zero expenditure on this count helping none. The states and UTs, where less than 10 undertrial prisoners were provided support include Odisha (9), Tripura (7), Arunachal Pradesh (6), Goa (5), Punjab (3), Kerala (2) and one each in Chandigarh, Rajasthan and Sikkim.

Among the states, barring Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Uttrakhand, Assam reported supporting 28 such prisoners with an expenditure of ₹6.67 lakh and Telangana helping 18 jail inmates spending ₹2.46 lakh.

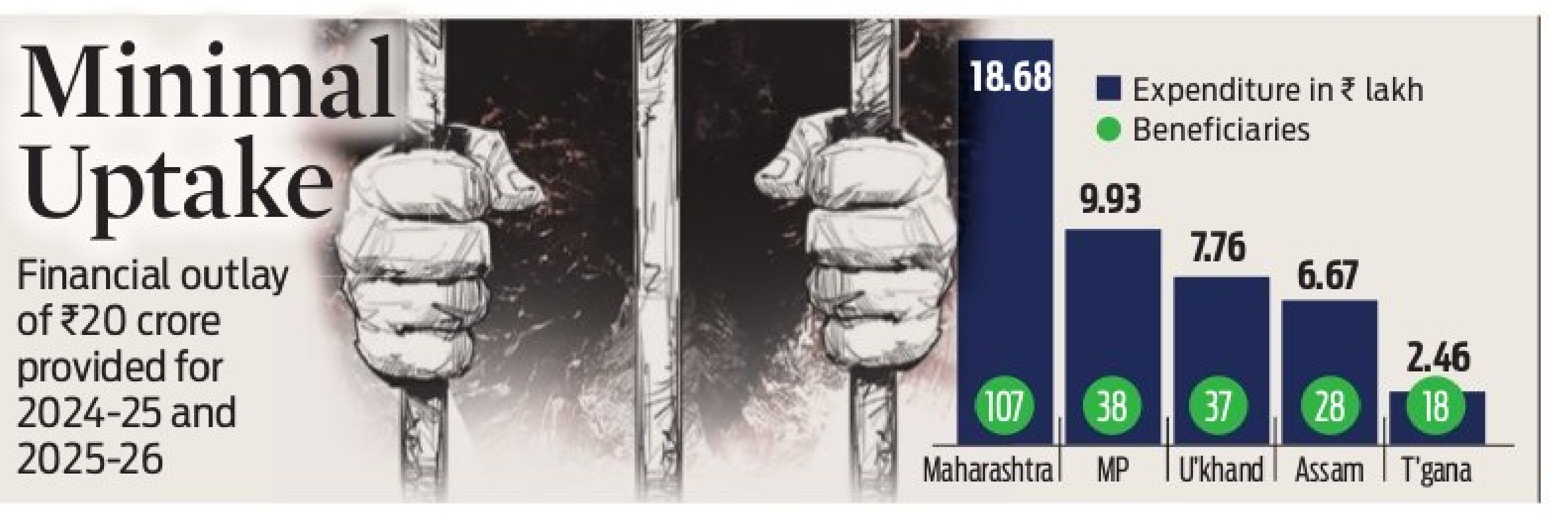
According to officials in the MHA the guidelines for implementation of the scheme were shared with all states and union territories on 19 June, 2023 and an annual financial outlay of ₹20 crore provided for financial years 2024-25and 2025-26.The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) was designated as the central nodal agency for implementation of the scheme.

According to the consolidated MHA data on the expenditure made under this head, the states and the UTs could spend only a little over ₹71.71 lakh with Maharashtra taking the lead with ₹18.68 lakh.

The officials in the MHA claimed that the ministry has periodically reviewed the progress of the scheme. It has also asked them to raise awareness about the scheme and ensure that meetings of "empowered committees" are held to maximise coverage under it.

Minimal Uptake

Financial outlay of ₹20 crore provided for 2024-25 and 2025-26



Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of prisoners at 92,166, followed by Bihar with 53,274 and Madhya Pradesh with 46,107. Maharashtra has around 40,495 prisoners and Delhi, which has 16 prisons, housing around 19,500 inmates

Feather in cap: DRDO successfully tests long-range supersonic missiles

JAVARIA RANA @ New Delhi

THE Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) on Tuesday successfully conducted a flight demonstration of its Solid Fuel Ducted Ramjet (SFDR) technology from the Integrated Test Range at Chandipur, off the Odisha coast. The test marked a key milestone in the development of India's next-generation beyond-visual-range air-to-air missile, the Astra Mk 3, also known as Gandiva.

In a statement, the defence ministry said, "The successful demonstration places India into an elite league of nations possessing this technology that enables developing long-range air-to-air missiles, providing a tactical edge over adversaries." Although the ministry did not officially name the missile programme, sources indicated that the SFDR system is meant for the Astra Mk 3, which is expected to have a strike range of around 350 kilometres.

The ministry stated that all subsystems, including the nozzle-less booster, the solid-fuel ducted ramjet motor, and the fuel flow controller, performed as expected. The missile was first accelerated to the required supersonic speed by a ground-based booster motor, after which the ramjet engine sustained thrust during the cruise phase of flight. System performance was validated using telemetry, radar and electro-optical tracking instruments deployed along the Bay of Bengal coastline.

SFDR propulsion is a major advancement over conventional solid rocket motors used in most operational air-to-air missiles, including the Astra Mk 1 and the Astra Mk 2 currently under development. While the Mk 2 is designed to extend engagement range beyond 200 kilometres with an improved rocket motor, SFDR-based systems are intended to achieve significantly longer range.

Unlike conventional rockets, a ducted ramjet ingests atmospheric oxygen and allows controlled combustion of solid fuel across different flight phases.

INDIA-US

Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma on Tuesday termed the India-US trade deal as "historic", and said the agreement will benefit the country's entrepreneurs, farmers, skilled workers and MSMEs.

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MP BOY DIES MONTHS AFTER BEING IN COMA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	27	08	Mumbai	28	23
Bhopal	26	08	Panaji	29	18
Jaipur	23	11	Patna	17	09
Amritsar	12	06	Lucknow	18	09
Chennai	22	21	Port Blair	18	14
Kolkata	18	14	Imphal	22	10
Srinagar	09	-3	Chandigarh	17	09

Claims names being deleted during the ongoing SIR exercise are mostly ruling TMC supporters

If impeachment motion against CEC brought, will back it: Didi...

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

A day after meeting the Election Commission of India, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday demanded the impeachment of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar and sought to mobilise opposition parties.

On Monday, Banerjee and her delegation walked out of a meeting with Kumar and other election commissioners on the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) issue, alleging humiliation by the poll panel chief.

Addressing a press conference alongside a group of people from Bengal who have allegedly been affected by the SIR, Banerjee claimed that electors whose names were being deleted from the electoral rolls were TMC supporters.

Asked whether TMC supports Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi's proposal to bring a law with retrospective effect to hold the CEC accountable, Banerjee said, "We also want Gyanesh Kumar to be impeached". She added, "We don't have numbers, but there is a provision. It would be recorded. If Congress does something like this, we will also discuss it with our party MPs. When there is public interest, we work together."

Banerjee said that her party would contest the upcoming Assembly elections alone and challenged the BJP to fight electorally rather than "using" the poll panel. She alleged that deletions in Bengal affected Trinamool, saying, "100% are TMC men... One or two maybe of other parties for face saving...".

Claiming those impacted by the SIR are largely dalits, tribals, minorities and marginalised communities, she said, "In my state, there are 23% SC, 6% ST, 33% Muslims, shall I say get out from my state?"

Questioning the implications, she said, "Are we going to start a super emergency in Bengal... all India? All leaders from different districts are in Bengal, and all agencies are sitting in Bengal... Sometimes we forget, chairs are not, but people are permanent in democracy."

Banerjee has moved Supreme Court challenging the SIR.

...CM to present her own case in CJI court today as SC hears Bengal SIR pleas

EC, state CEO parties in the case

Mamta Banerjee filed her petition in the top court against the SIR process on January 28 and made the EC and the Bengal CEO parties in the case. She had earlier written to CEC urging him to halt the "arbitrary and flawed" SIR in the poll-bound state. Banerjee had warned that continuation of SIR exercise in present form could lead to loss of voting rights by many and "strike at the foundations of democracy".

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

WEST Bengal Chief Minister and TMC chief Mamata Banerjee will be present in the Supreme Court on Wednesday during the hearing on the petitions challenging ongoing special intensive revision (SIR) of electoral rolls in the state. According to the apex court website, a bench comprising Chief Justice Surya Kant and Justices Joymalya Bagchi and Vipul M Pancholi is scheduled to hear the petitions, including those filed by Banerjee, Mostari Banu and TMC MPs Derek O'Brien and Dola Sen. The causelist said an application has been filed by the CM to appear as "party in person".

According to sources familiar with the development, Banerjee, who has an LLB degree, will argue in the case in the courtroom 1.

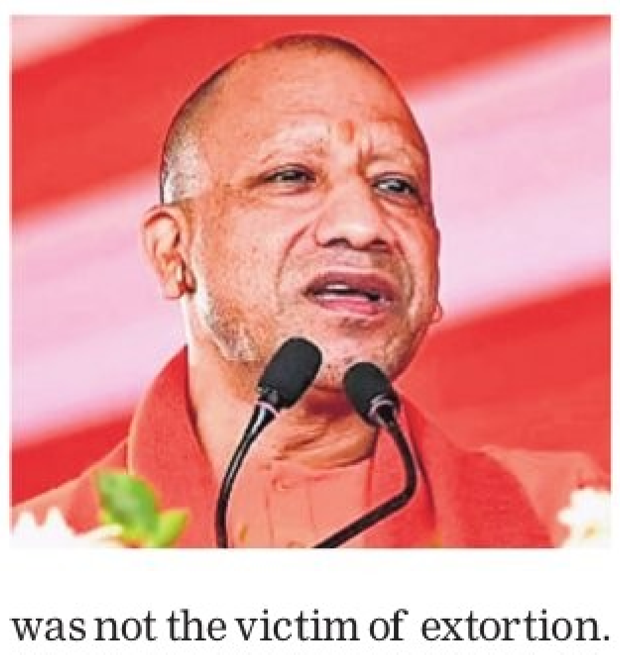
She filed her petition on January 28 and made the Election Commission (EC) and the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of West Bengal parties in the case.

Former Additional Solicitor General (ASG) K C Kaushik said so far no CM has come to any court to argue a case. "This will happen for the first time when a CM will come to argue a case in the court. In my 45 years of my legal career, I have never seen this happen so far," he said.

On January 19, the top court passed a slew of directions, observing that the SIR process in Bengal should be transparent.

'Should cops not retaliate if criminals open fire?' Yogi supports encounters in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow



UTTAR Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Tuesday defended the alleged police encounters, reiterating his government's policy of "zero tolerance to crime and criminals".

He said the police were trained to deal with the criminals in a language they understood. "Should the police not retaliate and take the bullet of the criminals? Both can't go on simultaneously," the CM said at the Pharma Conclave 1.0.

He added that UP has now shed its image as a hub of riots, extortion and lawlessness to become a safe and attractive destination for investment.

Yogi's statement assumes significance in the light of recent observations of the Allahabad High Court, which came down on UP police for shooting the alleged criminals in the leg, saying the cops have no "right to punish offenders".

The court stated that it could not let the state of Uttar Pradesh turn into a police state while claiming that police officials were conducting encounters to get promotion and appreciation.

"Between 2012 and 2017, there were more than 900 riots. There was hardly any city that did not witness curfews. There was hardly any businessman who was not the victim of extortion. When PM Narendra Modi entrusted me with responsibility, the biggest challenge was to strengthen law and order. The government adopted a zero-tolerance policy towards lawlessness and made it clear that the law would apply equally to everyone," the chief minister said. "Today, the results are evident.

Major festivals are being celebrated peacefully. There are no riots, no extortion, no gunda tax. UP today has an environment of peace, security and stability, the strongest foundation for investment," he added.

The chief minister claimed that Uttar Pradesh has emerged as a symbol of trust for investors. He said the state government guaranteed "triple S"—safety, stability and speed—to every investor, positioning UP as a model of trust, transformation and timely delivery.

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Naxal nemesis is Bhopal's new top cop

Considered the backbone of MP police's anti-naxal operations, 2004-batch IPS officer Sanjay Kumar has been appointed the new Bhopal police commissioner. Kumar played a decisive role in operations that culminated in elimination of listed naxal cadres in December 2025. Chief Minister Dr Mohan Yadav had publicly praised his dedication during that period. Kumar was among 14 IPS officers transferred statewide. Outgoing commissioner, Harinarayanchari Mishra, has been shifted to the lower-profile post of IG, State Crime Records Bureau at PHQ. ADG Umesh Joga becomes transport commissioner, Rakesh Gupta returns as ADG Ujjain, while ADG Anshuman Yadav is appointed director, sports.

Dancing head constable demoted for misconduct

Indore's popular traffic policeman Ranjeet Singh, famed for his moonwalk dance moves while managing traffic, has been demoted from head constable to constable following a departmental inquiry. The action came after a woman filed a plaint alleging inappropriate behaviour. Confirming the matter, additional DCP-crime Rajesh Dandotiya said Singh, who was made acting head constable in 2021, has been reverted on orders of DCP-HQ. In September 2025, a departmental probe was initiated and Singh was attached to police lines after claims that he sent inappropriate messages to the complainant through social media platforms.

After BJP stint, Hitanand Sharma back in RSS fold

After serving around five-and-a-half years in the MP BJP organisation, Hitanand Sharma has returned to his parent body, the RSS. Hailing from Ashoknagar district in the Gwalior-Chambal region, Sharma was deputed to the state BJP in September 2020 as joint general secretary. Two years later, he was elevated as full-fledged general secretary. During his tenure, BJP won 2023 Assembly polls and achieved a historic 29-0 sweep in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. Sharma is now appointed Sah Baudhik Pramukh of RSS Madhya Kshetra, based in Jabalpur. Bihar BJP's Bhikhubhai Dalsania is a frontrunner for the MP post, organizational leadership role.

Pocso needs change to address 'Romeo-Juliet' cases, says Rajasthan HC

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

IN a major move to prevent criminalisation of consensual sex among teenagers, the Rajasthan High Court has suggested the need for a "Romeo-Juliet law" to address the long-standing conflict between normal/consensual relationships among adolescents and the stringent provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (Pocso) Act.

A bench of Justice Anil Kumar Upman made the observation while hearing a case challenging an FIR registered under Pocso and noted that the indiscriminate application of harsh criminal laws runs contrary to the fundamental principles of justice. The petitioner argued that the relationship between the two parties was consensual and that the case was registered solely due to a technical age difference, as the girl was a minor at the time.

In its judgement, the court took note of statistical trends observed since the implementation of the Pocso Act. It stated that a large number of cases registered under the Act involve teenagers and young adults between the ages of 16 and 18 who are in consensual relationships. The court remarked that a significant portion of Pocso cases are of a "Romeo-Juliet" nature, involving two teenagers or a teenager and a young adult, where the relationship is consensual but is legally classified as sexual abuse because the girl is marginally below 18 years of age.

The bench observed that such relationships were not considered criminal offences prior to the enactment of Pocso in 2012. However, after the law came into force, these acts became punishable regardless of consent. Justice Upman said, "The purpose of a stringent law like Pocso is to protect children from violent sexual offenders. This law cannot be used as a weapon to punish young people or to criminalise consensual relationships and ruin their future."

U'khand attacks on shawl sellers rock J&K House

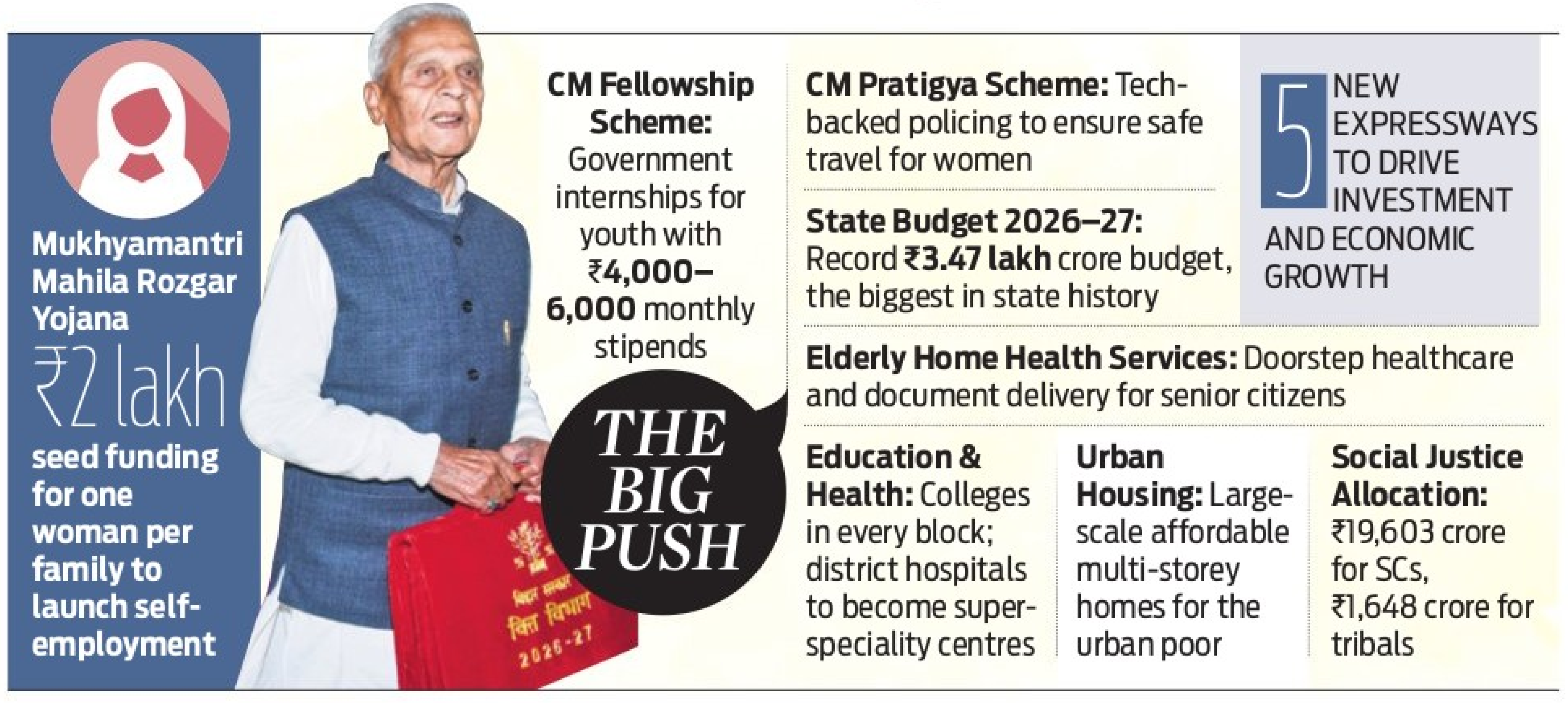
FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

WITH harassment and targeted attacks on Kashmiri shawl sellers continuing outside Jammu and Kashmir, the issue was raised in the J&K Assembly on Tuesday, as MLAs demanded steps to stop the assault on traders. Members of the ruling National Conference as well as the opposition PDP and PC demanded an immediate end to the targeted attacks.

Several legislators also called for an end to the continued harassment of Kashmiri shawl sellers and students. PDP MLA Waheed Para moved an adjournment motion to discuss the issue, but it was rejected by Speaker Abdul Rahim Rather. CM Omar Abdullah termed the harassment of Kashmiri traders and students unacceptable. "I raised this issue at the north zone Chief Ministers' conference and appealed to all CMs and the Union Home Minister to help stop such incidents. I thank the Uttarakhand CM for taking prompt action," he said.

After the assault on 17-year-old Kashmiri shawl seller Mohammad Tabish and his elder brother Mohammad Danish in Uttarakhand last week, attacks on Kashmiri shawl sellers have occurred in Himachal Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh.

Edu, jobs & infra top focus of over ₹3.5L cr Budget in Bihar



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₹2 lakh

seed funding for one woman per family to launch self-employment

CM Fellowship Scheme: Government internships for youth with **₹4,000–6,000** monthly stipends

THE BIG PUSH

CM Pratigya Scheme: Tech-backed policing to ensure safe travel for women

State Budget 2026–27: Record **₹3.47 lakh** crore budget, the biggest in state history

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Elderly Home Health Services: Doorstep healthcare and document delivery for senior citizens

Education & Health: Colleges in every block; district hospitals to become super-speciality centres

Urban Housing: Large-scale affordable multi-storey homes for the urban poor

Social Justice Allocation: ₹19,603 crore for SCs, ₹1,648 crore for tribals

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

THE Bihar government on Tuesday presented the state budget for 2026-27 in the legislative assembly, with a total outlay of ₹3,47,589.76 crore and a strong focus on education, job creation, industrialisation and infrastructure development.

The budget marks an increase of around ₹30,000 crore compared to the previous year's budget of ₹3.17 lakh crore.

The fiscal deficit for 2026-27 has been estimated at ₹39,111.80 crore, which is about 2.99 per cent of the gross state domestic product, pegged at ₹13,09,155 crore. Revenue expenditure has been projected at ₹2,84,133.92 crore, showing an increase of ₹32,133.66 crore over the 2025-26 estimate of ₹2,52,000.26 crore. Capital expenditure for the year has been fixed at ₹63,455.83 crore.

Education and higher education received the highest allocation, with ₹68,216.95 crore earmarked for the sector. The allocation will be used to improve school infrastructure, teacher training, and digital learning facilities. The government aims to reduce dropout rates and improve educational quality, especially in rural and underdeveloped regions. New schemes will promote technical and higher education, including scholarships for underprivileged students and upgrades to facilities at government colleges and universities. The government plans to build model schools and degree colleges in every block.

Presenting the budget, Finance Minister Bijendra Prasad Yadav said the government's objective was to place Bihar among developed states.

He praised Chief Minister Nitish Kumar's leadership and said the state had taken a new development path. He said Bihar's model was based on knowledge, integrity, science, aspirations and respect, with priority on education, technology, innovation and social justice.

'Climb for free' at high mountains of U'khand

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

IN a move to boost adventure tourism and mountaineering, the Uttarakhand government has announced the opening of 83 Himalayan peaks for expeditions and scrapped fees for Indian mountaineers.

The peaks, ranging from 5,700 to 7,756 metres, are spread across the Garhwal and Kumaon regions. The initiative is a joint venture between the Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board and the forest department.

"We have opened world-renowned summits, including Kamet, Nanda Devi (East), the Chaukhamba group, Trishul group, Shivling, Satopanth, Changabang, Panchachuli, and Neelkanth. These are located across districts like Chamoli, Uttarkashi, Pithoragarh, Bageshwar, Rudraprayag, and Tehri Garhwal," Uttarakhand Minister for Tourism and Religious Affairs Satpal Maharaj told this newspaper.

Waiver of government expedition fees for domestic climbers includes peak fees, camping charges, trail management, and environmental levies. The policy shift also extends to international climbers. In a relaxation of rules, the forest department has abolished its separate fee structure. Foreign expeditions will now only be required to pay the standard fees mandated by the Indian Mountaineering Foundation (IMF).

"To ensure a seamless and transparent experience, all permissions will now be processed online through the Uttarakhand Mountaineering Permission System (UKMPS). This will significantly reduce bureaucratic delays and save time for expedition teams," Maharaj said.

The government aims to encourage the youth to take up high-altitude trekking and climbing. The minister expressed optimism that this initiative would revitalise the economy in border and remote areas. "Our goal is to create new employment opportunities for locals and establish Uttarakhand as a premier global destination for mountaineering," Maharaj said.

Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said, "The Himalayas are our identity, our heritage, and our strength. Opening 83 major peaks for mountaineering is a historic step toward giving global recognition to adventure tourism in the state.

The objective is to encourage the youth to take up adventurous fields like mountaineering and generate employment for local communities."

The state has also urged climbers to strictly adhere to safety protocols and environmental regulations, emphasising the need to respect the fragile ecology of the Himalayas.

Welcoming the decision, renowned mountaineer Shashi Bahuguna said, "This opens a world of possibilities for the next generation of climbers to showcase their talent and explore the untapped potential of our mountains."

J'khand tribal defies cancer, plays in National Para Archery Championship

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

DESPITE losing a leg to cancer, tribal youth Amar Hassa Purty of Jharkhand has scripted a comeback, representing the state at the 7th National Para Archery Championship held in Patiala from January 29 to February 3.

Amar was once the parade commander of RC Balak Middle School. While studying in Class VIII, he was diagnosed with cancer, leading to the amputation of his leg.

According to his sister Anita Hassa Purty, the family slipped into extreme poverty. Their father remained bedridden due to prolonged illness, while their elder brother Anil Hassa Purty was earlier associated with the outlawed Maoist outfit PLFI. With no steady income, Amar's dream of education seemed impossible.

One morning, his mother approached social activist Ajay Sharma, saying, "Amar is going to commit suicide." She explained that her son wanted to study, but the family could not afford admission fees. "He is broken by disability and poverty," she told Sharma.

Alarmed, Sharma rushed to Amar's home and offered support. After the issue surfaced on social media, the local administration intervened. Professor Rajkumar Gupta of Birsa College stepped forward, enrolling Amar and bearing his entire college expenses.

As Amar's story went viral, archery coach Ashish Kumar visited him, identified his potential, and arranged hostel accommodation in Khunti. Life changed as Amar took up archery training.

Later, local MLA Sudip Gudiya provided financial assistance. Under sustained training at Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Sports Complex, Amar progressed rapidly. At the national meet, he finished fifth in mixed doubles and 23rd in singles.

President of the National Archery Association and the Jharkhand Archery Association, Arjun Munda, lauded Amar's journey and said, "The district archery association will have to step forward at the local level, while the national Association will provide full support in national and international competitions."

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Rehabilitation Division No. 4, Bilagi, Camp,
Navanagar, Bagalkote.

No. : U.K.P./E.E./Reh.Dn.4/PB-2/Tdr-7/2025-26/1229
Date : 02-02-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (2nd Call)

(Through E-procurement)

As per the Tender Procedure of KTPP Act, Lump Sum Tenders are invited for Providing Human Service On Outsource basis from eligible Contractors Pertaining to **Indent No. : 0021, Rs. : 140.23 Lakhs, Indent No. : 0017, Rs. : 103.02 Lakhs, Indent No. : 0018 and Rs. : 78.42 Lakhs** in Two Cover System.

The Last Date for Submission of Bid through E-procurement Portal is 18-02-2026 upto 5.30 p.m.

Special Note : **1)** Contractor shall quote the Total Service Charge required for One Year in Rupees (INR) only. **2)** For all contractors / representatives it is compulsory to attend the scheduled Pre Bid Meeting. Otherwise tenders will not be accepted. **3)** Contractors to note all amendments & modifications time to time in E-procurement platform.

Tender Conditions & Other Details can be Procured in **E-procurement Portal : https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** and from this Office in Working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
UKP, Reh. Divn. No. 4, Bilagi, Camp,
Navanagar, Bagalkote.

DIPR/Bagalkote/555/Manipal/2025-26

The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.,

Office : No.6, Lakshmi Sadana',
5th Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.

POSSESSION NOTICE See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Where as The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.,** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor/ Applicant: Mr. Rajanna S/o D Boraiah Doddamaluru Village& Post, Maluru Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160 **Surety: Mrs. Renuka** W/o Nagaraju Doddamaluru Village& Post, Maluru Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District-562160.

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 7,56,688/-(Rupees Seven Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty Eight Only) as on 24.02.2025 and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated : 19.03.2025 Possession Notice Date: 30.01.2026

BRANCH : CHANNAPATNA

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel in respect of E-Swathu Khatha No.152900101800406281, Panchayathi khatha No.657/88 measuring 9.144x12.192 mts. In total 111.48 sq.mts. situated at Maluru Village, Maluru grama panchayath, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District. Bounded on: East: Property belongs to padakori, West: Government Kaluve, North: Road, South: Survey number property (Government Road).

(2) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor/ Applicant: Late Boramma W/o. Revanna Since deceased represented by her legal heirs 1. Mr. GangaRevanna S/o Late Boramma **2. Mr. Venkatesh** S/o. Late Boramma **3. Mr. H R Narayana** S/o Late Boramma **4. Mr. RaviKumar** S/o Late Boramma **all are residing at** : Hombalammana Pete, Magadi Town, Ward No.09, Bengaluru South District-562120. Surety: Mr. H K Revanna S/o Late Kempaiah Hombalammana Pete, Magadi Town, Ward No.09, Bengaluru South District-562120

Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs.21,36,977/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Seven Only) as on **08.10.2025** and interest thereon.

Demand Notice Dated :14.10.2025 Possession Notice Date: 30.01.2026

BRANCH : MAGADI

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing present Municipal No. 14-540-192, Assessment No.2409/2227, Old Municipal Kaneshumari No.1776/1666, present Katha No.2409/2227, measuring East West 82 feet and North to South 69 feet along with 20X21 ½ feet Nada Tailes Roofed House, 40X17 feet A C Sheet House and 20X35 feet RCC Roofed House along with 25X30 feet Tailes Roofed House situated at Ward No.9, Hombalammana pete Magadi Town, Magadi Taluk, Bengaluru South District -562120 and bounded on East : Hanumanthaiah's House, West : Road, North : Chatumanna's Property, South : Municipal Road.

Date : 30.01.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Bangalore District Central Co-Op Bank Ltd.

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा
Bank of Baroda
(A Government of India Undertaking)

HAL 3rd Stage Branch

No.42, 80 Feet Road, HAL 3rd Stage,
Bengaluru-560075

POSSESSION NOTICE APPENDIX IV - Rule 8 (1) 13(4) (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda, HAL 3rd Stage Branch, Bengaluru,** under **Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest** Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **15.09.2025** calling upon the **Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/ Mortgagors/ Guarantors/legal heirs of Late T.H.Manjula, 1) M/s. Karagadamma Enterprises,** Khatha No.1103, Site No.1-1, 2nd Floor, Udupi Hotel Opp to Phoniex Market City, ITPL Main Road, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru-560048, Represented by its, Authorized Signatory, **2) Sri. Ramu Narayanappa,** Khatha No.1103, Site No.1-1, 2nd Floor, Udupi Hotel, Opp to Phoniex Market City, ITPL Main Road, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru-560048, **3) Sri.Ravichandra Ramu,** Khatha No.1103, Site No.1-1, 2nd Floor, Udupi Hotel, Opp to Phoniex Market City, ITPL Main Road, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru-560048, and **Guarantor, 4) Sri. Nahor Hajowary** S/o Sri. Sri.Sulen Hajowary, No.302, 1st Cross, Bengaluru-560075, **and also at :** No.2, Kusumbil Village, Raimona Post, Kokiajhar District, Assam-783350, **and legal heir of Late.Smt.T.H.Manjula, 5) Sri. Punith Ramu S/o Smt. T. H. Manjula and Sri. N. Ramu,** Khatha No.1103, Site No.1-1, 2nd Floor, Udupi Hotel, Opp to Phoniex Market City, ITPL Main Road, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru-560048 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.47,61,913.77** (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Sixty One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirteen and Seventy Seven Paise Only) **as on 14.09.2025** inclusive of interest up to **15.09.2025** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice, together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors/legal Heirs of **Late.Smt.T.H.Manjula** having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rules 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **30th January 2026**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors/legal Heirs of **Late.Smt.T.H.Manjula** in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Bank of Baroda for an amount **Rs.47,61,913.77** (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Sixty One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirteen and Seventy Seven Paise Only) **as on 14.09.2025** inclusive of interest up to **15.09.2025** together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs

Schedule Property

In Begepalli Village of Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District attached to the Registration District of Hosur and also attached to the Village Panchayat limits of Begepalli and Unoin Council of Hosur. Sy No.254, Dry extent 1 Acre 95 Cents of land has been divided into House Sites in which Plot No.30-A and 30-B, both Plots totally measuring extent of 2,200 Square Feet of Land bounded on the :

Item No.1 : Plot No. 30-A : East by : Plot No.29, West by : Plot No.30-B , North by : 25 Feet Wide Layout Road, South by : Sy No.255 Part Land

Within these boundaries measuring : East to West on the Northern Side measuring 20 Feet and on the Southern Side measuring 20 Feet, and North to South on the Eastern Side measuring 55 Feet and Western Side measuring 55 Feet, totally measuring 1100 Square Feet of Land.

Item No.2 : Plot No. 30-B : East by : Plot No.30-A, West by : Plot No.31, North by : 25 Feet Wide Layout Road, South by : Sy No.255 Part Land.

Within these boundaries measuring : East to West on the Northern Side measuring 20 Feet and on the Southern Side measuring 20 Feet, and North to South on the Eastern Side measuring 55 Feet and Western Side measuring 55 Feet, totally measuring 1100 Square Feet of Land.

The above said Plots comes under new sub division Sy No,254/1A4A1A.

Date : 30.01.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the General Public that, my clients **Sri. Ramesh Kumar Tiwari and Manoj Kumar Tiwari,** son of late. B. N. Tiwari, residing at No.503/1, Bhuvaneshwari-nagar, Hesaraghatta Main Road, T. Dasarahalli, Bengaluru District-560 057 and it is further informed to General public that, my client's father late. B. N. Tiwari has lost the original Sale Deed dated 11.06.1980, registered as Document No.2957/1980-81 of Book-1, volume No.3287, in pages 227-229, in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru, in respect to the below mentioned Schedule Property and same is not traceable in spite of his best efforts and immediately he has lodged a E-lost Complaint before the Crime Branch, Bengaluru City Police, Bengaluru on 16.11.2018, vide Lost Report No.198127/2018, the same is not yet found, traceable till today. It is hereby notify General Public, if anyone finds the above mentioned document, my clients are hereby requested to handed over the same to undersigned and if any person were to deal with the said Original title document in respect to the below mentioned Schedule Property other than my clients, such transactions will not be binding on them or the below mentioned Schedule Property and they will be doing so at their own risk and cost.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Site No.23,** having P-PID No.3457 605185, Khatha No.120, measuring **East to West 65 feet or 19.8 meter and North to South 30 feet or 9.1 meter,** totally measuring **1950 Sq. feet** or 181.02 sq. meters, **along with 2200 sq. ft. RCC House Building (GF 1400 sq. ft. for residential purpose and 200 sq. ft. commercial purpose. FF 600 sq. ft. for residential purpose)** situated at **No.544, Hesaraghatta Main Road, Bhuvaneshwari-nagara, T. Dasarahalli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru- 560 057,** presently comes under the limits of Bhruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Ward No.14-Bagalagunte bounded on the.

East by: Site No.47; **West by:** Road;
North by: Site No.24; **South by:** Site No.22.

Nagesha V. Advocate,
No.31, 2nd Floor, 1st Main Road,
Havanoor Extn., Hesaraghatta Main Road,
Bengaluru-560 073.
E-mail:nageshvadvocate@gmail.com
Mob: 9845477448
Place: Bengaluru. Dated: 04-02-2026

STATE BANK OF INDIA

STRESSED ASSETS RECOVERY BRANCH (SARB)
11/90, 3rd Floor, Near Old Shivaji Theatre,
J.C. Road, Bangalore-560002.
Tel: 080-25943663/3664, Email Id : sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE U/s 13(4) (For Immovable Property) [Under Rule 8(1)]

Whereas, the Authorised Officer of the **State Bank of India, Ramanagara Branch (40031)** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **23.10.2025** calling upon the **borrower : Shri. Vinod Kumar .M** S/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C, No. 2084, 11th Cross, Kuvempunagara, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District-562160 and **Guarantors : 1) Shri. Mahesh .M.C.** S/o. Chikkayellegowda, No. 2084, 11th Cross, Kuvempunagara, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District-562160. **2) Smt. Shanthamma** W/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C No. 2084, 11th Cross, Kuvempunagara, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District-562160. **3) Ms. Manasa .M** D/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C, No. 284, 11th Cross, Kuvempunagara, Channapatna Town, Ramanagara District-562160 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 4,84,00,974/-** (Rupees Four Crore Eighty Four Lakh Nine Hundred and Seventy Four only) as on 22.10.2025 inclusive of interest upto 22.10.2025 within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The accounts being migrated from Ramanagara Branch (40031) to Stressed Assets Recovery Branch (SARB) Branch code 5173), Bengaluru for administractive reasons and hence the undersigned is competent to issue this notice.

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgager having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Guarantor and the Public in General that, the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below, in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on this **2nd day of February 2026.**

The Borrower/Guarantor/Mortgager in particular, and the Public in General is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **State Bank of India, SARB (05173),** For an amount (Present Outstanding balance) of **Rs. 5,03,99,461/-** (Rupees Five Crore Three Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty One Only) as on 30.01.2026 with further interest and other charges thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Property No. 1 : All that piece and parcel of Residential vacant site property bearing Khaneshumari No. 800/226/1/A, PID No. 152900102401520883, measuring East to West 42.20 meters, North to South 11.40 meters, total extent of 481.08 Sqmtr. situated at Appugere Village, Rampura Gram Panchayth, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District, standing in the names of 1) Shri Vinod Kumar .M S/o. Shri. Mahesh .M.C, 2) Shri Mahesh .M.C S/o. Late Chikkayellegowda, 3) Smt. Shanthamma W/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C, 4) Ms. Manasa .M D/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C., and is bounded by : **East by:** Government Oni, **West by :** Property of Rudramma and Konarigowda's Children, **North by :** Site No. 01, **South by :** Site No. 03.

Property No. 2 : All that piece and parcel of Residential vacant site property bearing Khaneshumari No. 802/226/1C, PID No. 152900102401520885, measuring East to West 37.10 meters, North to South 13.70 meters, total extent of 508.27 Sqmtr. situated at Appugere Village, Rampura Gram Panchayth, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagara District, standing in the names of 1) Shri Vinod Kumar .M S/o. Shri. Mahesh .M.C, 2) Shri Mahesh .M.C S/o. Late Chikkayellegowda, 3) Smt. Shanthamma W/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C, 4) Ms. Manasa .M D/o. Shri Mahesh .M.C., and is bounded by : **East by:** Government Oni, **West by :** Property of Rudramma and Konarigowda's Children, **North by :** Site No. 03, **South by :** Property of Shivanna.

Date : 02.02.2026
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
SARB, J.C. Road, Bengaluru.

INDIRA GANDHI INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH

Autonomous Institute. Established By Govt. of Karnataka
(A Postgraduate Institute of Higher Medical Sciences)
Recognised Under Societies Registration Act. Reg. No. 132/85-86
South Hospital Complex, Dharmaram College Post, Bangalore-560029.
e-mail: ihealthchild@yahoo.in Website: igich.karnataka.gov.in

IFT No.: IGICH/ADM/SERVICE/TEND/2/2025-26
Date: 02.02.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION Call-2

(Through GoK e-Portal Platform https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)

Tender are invited through GOK e-portal platform **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** by the Director, Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health, Bangalore-560 029 from eligible tenderers for the following works of Maintenance and Services.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	E.M.D. in Rupees	Period of Complition
1	TRANSPORTATION AND DISPOSE GENERAL WASTE. (DME/2025-26/SE0621/CALL-2)	20,000.00	As per Tender Document

1) Tender documents can be downloaded from: **04.02.2026. 2)** Last date and time for receipt of Tenders: **17.02.2026 at 3.00 pm. 3)** Date and time of opening of technical Bid : **18.02.2026 at 3.00 pm.**

Sd/- Director
Indira Gandhi Institue of Child Health, Bengaluru.

DIPR/CP/5395/SA/2025-26

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
BUILDINGS AND ROADS (SOUTH) DIVISION
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

No.1581/PW/BRS/DB/D5/F.No.540(NAB)/25-26
Puducherry, the 03.02.2026

PRESS NOTICE FOR SHORT e-Tender

On behalf of the President of India, tenders are invited through e-Tendering by the Executive Engineer, Buildings and Roads (South) Division, Public Works Department, Puducherry for the following work.

Sl. No	Tender No.	Name of Work	Minimum Bid Amount (Rs)	Earnest Money Deposit (Rs)	Cost of Tender Schedule (Rs)	Time allowed	Eligibility of Contractors
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		(7)
1	99/PW/ BRS 2025-26	Improvements to the road connecting Throwpathiamman Koil, Soriyankuppam Koravallimedu junction and Arachikuppampet upto state border in Bahour Commune, Puducherry	4,32,30,651/-	8,64,613/-	1,500/- + GST @ 5%	6 (Six) Months including Monsoon Period	Class - I
2	100/PW/ BRS 2025-26	Widening and Improvements to the road connecting Nallur to Kutchipalayam and Madagadipet in Mannadipet Commune, Puducherry.	3,63,01,447/-	7,26,029/-	1,500/- + GST @ 5%	6 (Six) Months including Monsoon Period	Class - II and above
3	101/PW/ BRS 2025-26	Improvements to the Road connecting Krishnapuram, Karayambuthur to Sornavur Anicut in Bahour Commune, Puducherry	3,01,91,768/-	6,03,835/-	1,500/- + GST @ 5%	6 (Six) Months including Monsoon Period	Class - II and above

The e-tender detailed procedure is available in the press notice which can be downloaded along with the NIT from the website **www.pudutenders.gov.in** only by those contractors who are having valid i-key and Digital Signature Certificate.

(i) Availability of NIT from **10.00 A.M on 05.02.2026** to **4.00 P.M on 19.02.2026** and Closing time for submission of e-tender is **4.30 P.M** on the same day of last date of availability of NIT.

(ii) Time & Date of Opening of tender **10.30 A.M on 20.02.2026.**

Please contact ICICI Bank for e-payment help desk guidance in Phone No.8939202113. Please contact e-procurement cell, 3rd floor, Chief Secretariat, e-tender help desk for guidance in Phone No.0413-2220225 & 1800 3070 2232 (Toll Free) mail id : **Support-eproc.pon@nic.in**

No.783/DIP/AD(Press)/2025-26

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government Of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch,

2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road Bengaluru-560001
Ph:080-25310066, E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable / movable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 23.02.2026 from 10.30 A.M. to 11.00 P.M.,** for recovery of **Rs. 97,64,088.25/- (Rupees Ninety Seven Lakhs Sixty Four Thousand Eighty Eight and Twenty Five Paise Only) plus further interest thereon from 30.01.2026 and other expenses** due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Sakthivel Natarajan,** No. 105 C Block 1st Floor, Purvi Lotus Apartment, Somasandrapalya Main Rd, Bangalore- 560068 **(2) Amrita Sakthivel,** No. 105 C Block 1st Floor, Purvi Lotus Apartment, Somasandrapalya Main Rd, Bangalore- 560068

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of **E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through **RTGS/NEFT** in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **21.02.2026 - 6.00 pm.**

(₹.In Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incre -mental Value
1	Apartment bearing Flat No. C-04, Ground Floor, C Block, "KINGS SQUARE" Apartment located in Property bearing Sy. No. 189, Situated at Kodathi Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Urban District- 560035, East : Land belongs to Shivanajappa Sy no. 188, West : Property of Shivahanumanthappa in Sy No. 190, North : Land Belongs to Krishna Reddy in Sy No. 192, South : 40 ft road thereafter Sy. No. 79	₹. 42.75	₹. 4.28	₹. 1.00
2	Apartment bearing Flat No. B-04, Ground Floor, B Block, "KINGS SQUARE" Apartment located in Property bearing Sy. No. 189, Situated at Kodathi Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Urban District- 560035, East : Land belongs to Shivanajappa Sy no. 188, West : Property of Shivahanumanthappa in Sy No. 190, North : Land Belongs to Krishna Reddy in Sy No. 192, South : 40 ft road thereafter Sy. No. 79	₹. 42.75	₹. 4.28	₹. 1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or E-Wallet of M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/) portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, (Ph. No.9535093706 and 9039609346) during office hours on any working day.

Date : 03.02.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

यूनियन बैंक Union Bank of India
ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH (BANGALURU SOUTH)
No. 2/3, Raja Building, N.R. Road, Bengaluru-560002
Contact No: 8369255990, E mail: ubin0555991@unionbankofindia.bank

CORRIGENDUM

The E-Auction Sale Notice published in this newspaper on 13.01.2026, pertaining to **(1) Ms. Regila Iyya Pillai and (2) Mr. S. Palanisamy,** and scheduled for 13.02.2026, stands withdrawn and cancelled due to administrative reasons.

Date : 03.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Union Bank of India

RAIL WHEEL FACTORY

Yelahanka, BANGALORE - 560 064
Website: www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in

Tender Notice No. RWF/M/OT/TQM/ 2025-26/79 Dated 02.02.2026

E-Tender: On behalf of the President of India, the Principal Chief Mechanical Engineer invites electronic tender for the following work online through the website **http://www.ireps.gov.in** (Works).

Tender No.: RWF/M/OT/TQM/2025-26/79 **Dtd:** 02.02.2026. **Name of the Work:** Recertification for Energy Management System (EnMS) ISO 50001:2018. **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 1,23,900/-. **EMD:** Rs. 2,500/-. **Completion Period:** 36 Months.

Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer/QS

Tender Notice No. RWF/M/OT/AMS/ 2025-26/81RT Dated 02.02.2026

Tender No.: RWF/M/OT/AMS/2025-26/81RT **Dtd:** 02.02.2026. **Name of the Work:** Outsourcing the work of Rough Turning/Semi finishing of 1500 numbers of EMU TC axles. **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 1,68,15,000/-. **EMD:** Rs. 2,34,100/-. **Completion Period:** 12 Months.

Tender Notice No. RWF/M/OT/AMS/ 2025-26/82RT Dated 02.02.2026

Tender No.: RWF/M/OT/AMS/2025-26/82RT **Dtd:** 02.02.2026. **Name of the Work:** Outsourcing work of Rough Turning / Semi-Finishing of 3,000 numbers of 25T Axles. **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 3,36,30,000/-. **EMD:** Rs. 3,18,200/-. **Completion Period:** 12 Months.

Tender Notice No. RWF/M/OT/AMS/ 2025-26/83RT Dated 02.02.2026

Tender No.: RWF/M/OT/AMS/2025-26/83RT **Dtd:** 02.02.2026. **Name of the Work:** Outsourcing work of Rough Turning / Semi-Finishing of 3,000 numbers of Box N Axles. **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 3,36,30,000/-. **EMD:** Rs. 3,18,200/-. **Completion Period:** 12 Months.

Date & Time of Closing of above Tenders: 24.02.2026 at 10.30 Hrs.

The above Tender details can be viewed on our website **www.rwf.indianrailways.gov.in.**

Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer/AP

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, JEYPORE (R&B) CIRCLE, JEYPORE

e-mail ID - supenger_rojyp@yahoo.co.in

INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)

Bid Identification No. C.C.E.J.C (R&B) - 14/2025-26

No.34001/14/2526 No. 1475 Date. 31.01.2026

1. Nature of the work : **ROAD & BUILDING WORKS**
2. Total No. of Works : 07 (Seven) Nos.
3. Tender cost : Rs. 2.58 to 6.44 Crs.
4. Period of completion : 04 (Four) to 11 (Eleven) Calendar Months each.
5. Cost of Bid Document : Rs. 10,000/-
6. Bid Security (EMD) : Rs. 2.58 Lacs to 6.44 Lacs as per column no. 06 of IFB.
7. Class of Contractor : "special", "B" & "A" Class as per Cl no. 05 of TCN & according to Financial Eligibility.
8. Date & time of availability of bid Document in the portal : from 12:00 hours of 10.02.2026 to 17:00 hours of 24.02.2026
9. Last date/Time for receipt of bids in the Portal : 17:00 hours of 24.02.2026
10. Opening date of Bid : 11:00 hours of 25.02.2026
11. Name and address of the Officer Inviting Bid : Chief Construction Engineer, Jeypore (R&B) Circle, Jeypore

Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal https://tendersodisha.gov.in. Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.

Sd/- Chief Construction Engineer
Jeypore (R&B) Circle, Jeypore

OIPR-34001/34108/1/25-26/0014

VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED

(A Govt of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of the Executive Engineer VJNL. U.B.P Division
No.2, B.R.Project-577 115

No: EE/V.J.N.L/UBP/D.2/BRP/PB/O&M/2025-26/1234 Dated: 31-01-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

TWO COVER SYSTEM (THROUGH "e-Procurement" ONLY)

On behalf of the Managing Director, Visvesvaraya Jala Nigam Limited, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP Division No.2, B R Project, Shimoga District, Karnataka invites I No's of 4701 work "Operation and Maintenance for the work of lifting of 29.90 TMC of water at PH-1 Shantipura and PH-2 Bettatavarekere from Bhadra Reservoir to Ajjampura Tunnel (0.00 to 40.29 km of UBP Main Canal) including Civil and Electromechanical works for the period of 5 Years" under Upper Bhadra Project. (Indent No. VJNL/2025-26/IW/WORK _INDENT237/CALL-2) for **Rs.7132.00 Lakhs** tender through e-procurement portal on "Turnkey basis" from eligible enrolled Government Licensed KPWD Class-1 Civil / CPWD Class-1 Civil/Supergrade Electrical Contractor. The contractor can access tender documents from **02.02.2026 onwards** in KPPP Portal website. The details of EMD, Tender Processing fee, Calendar of events, contractor class, tender rules and regulations and other details can be obtained from **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or from the under signed in the office hours. Last date of submission of tender is on **20.02.2026 upto 17.30 hrs.** Any corrigendum or Addendum will be published in KPPP Portal website.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, VJNL, UBP Division
No.2, B.R.Project-577115.

DIPR/SMG/No-01-02/ zenkar/2025-26

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯಿತಿ
ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್‌ರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು

ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:08262–220936, E-Mail: zpedckm@rediffmail.com

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:27/2025–26/2ನೇ ಕರೆ/3071
ದಿನಾಂಕ:02.02.2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್, ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರುರವರು ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ **ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು** ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಮೂಲಕ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಯ ಟೆಂಡರಿಗಿಟ್ಟ ಗರಿಷ್ಠ ಮೊತ್ತ ರೂ. 66.64 ಲಕ್ಷಗಳು ವಹಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ಅಥವಾ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಿರುವ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ Standard Tender Document KW-3 ರಂತೆ ವಿವರಗಳನ್ನು ಲಗತ್ತಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು. ಸದರಿ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕೆ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ.ಪಿ. ಮೂಲಕ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಿದ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ:02.02.2026 ರಿಂದ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10.02.2026 ರವರೆಗೆ ಸಂಜೆ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆಯೊಳಗೆ ಭರ್ತಿ ಮಾಡಿ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡುವುದು. ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 12–02–2026ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 5.30 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಬಿಡ್ಡನ್ನು ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17–02–2026 ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ ತೆರೆಯಲಾಗುವುದು. ಈ ದಿನಾಂಕದಂದು ಆಕಸ್ಮಿಕ ರಜಾ ದಿನಗಳು ಬಂದಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು ದಿನವನ್ನು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆಯನ್ನು **kppp.karnataka.gov.in** website ನಲ್ಲಿ ಓದಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು. ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಷಯ ನಿರ್ವಾಹಕರನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಿ ತಿಳಿಯಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯಪಾಲಕ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್,
ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಂಗ್ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಮಗಳೂರು

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
(A Government of India Undertaking)

Canara Bank, ARM Branch I

2nd Floor, No. 86, Spencers Tower, M.G. Road,
Bangalore-560001.

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable and Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **23.02.2026 (10.00 AM to 10.30 AM),** for recovery of **Rs. 3,22,93,824.33/-**, as on 01.02.2026 with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank** from **1. Narayanaswamy M** S/o. Munivenkatappa, Residing at Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135 and **Guarantors/Mortgagors : 2. Sandeep M N** S/o. Narayanaswamy Residing at Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135. **3. Chaitra M N** S/o. Narayanaswamy Residing at Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135. **4. Havani M N** S/o. Narayanaswamy Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135. **5. Sowmya M N,** S/o. Narayanaswamy Residing at Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135. **6. Anusha M N** S/o. Narayanaswamy Residing at Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135. **7. Gopalkrishne Gowda,** S/o. Muniyappa, Residing at : C/o. Nagara 02 WR DSR Apts, Nagondanahalli, whitefield, Immedihalli b.o, Bangalore Urban, Karnataka-560066. **8. Sowbhagya M R,** W/o. Nagarajegowda, Residing at : Masthenahalli (V), Srinivaspur (Tq), Kolar (Dist), Karnataka-563135. **Also at :** Ammerahalli (V), Kondarajanahalli (P), Kasaba Hobli, Kolar Taluk & District-563102.

The Earnest Money shall be Deposited by way of E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan on or before **21.02.2026, 5.00 pm.** **(Rs. in lacs)**

Lot	Description of the immovable/ movable assets	Reserve Price Rs.	EMD Rs.	Incremental value Rs.
1	A. All that piece and parcel of agricultural land of 5 Acres at Sy. No. 6/13 at Masthenahalli village, Srinivasapura Tk, Kolar district bounded on : East by : Own property and Property 6/P3-P1, West by : Property of K Chandramathi and M P Narayanagowda, North by : Road, South by : Property of Venkateshappa. All that piece and parcel of agricultural land of 5 Acres at Sy. No. 6/P3-P1 at Masthenahalli village, Srinivasapura Tk, Kolar district bounded on : East by : Property of Shamalamma and H Narayanagowda, West by : Own property and Property No. 6/13 Block, North by : Road, South by : Property of Venkateshappa.	429.37	42.94	1.00
2	All that piece and parcel of residential house building bearing No. 25, E-khatha no. 151901102400100030 measuring East to West 24.384 Meters and North to South 27.1272 Meters at Mastenhalli Village, Velagalaburre Post, Srinivasapura Taluk, Kolar Dist bounded on : East by : Property of Badhrappa, West by : Property of Narayanaswamy, North by : Property of S Narayanaswamy, South by : Property of G M Eragappa.	65.79	6.57	1.00
3	1. All that piece and parcel of residential site bearing no 3, E-Khatha No 151900703400320122 form No.11A Certificate No. 3608562, Khatha No. 54/87/3 measuring East to West 18.288 Meters and North to South 12.192 Meters totally measuring 222.97 Sqmeters at Ammerahalli village, Kondarajanahalli Grama Panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Kolar bounded on : East by : 30 feet Road, West by : Property of J Muniswamy, North by : Site No. 04, South by : Site No.01 and 02. 2. All that piece and parcel of residential site bearing no 4, E-Khatha No 151900703400320123 form No.11A Certificate No. 3608562 measuring East to West 18.288 Meters and North to South 12.192 Meters totally measuring 222.97 Sqmeters at Ammerahalli village, Kondarajanahalli Grama Panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Kolar bounded on : East by : 30 feet Road, West by : Property of J Muniswamy, North by : Site No. 05, South by : Site No.03.	196.56	19.65	1.00
		691.72		

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website **(www.canarabank.com)** or **E-Wallet of M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (https://baanknet.com/)** portal and may contact ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, **Canara Bank, Ph. No. 08025310066, 9483743156, and 9866977711** during office hours on any working day.

Date: 02.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client **Mr. Mohd Mohsin,** S/o Mohd Haroom Ansari, residing at 785-C 12, Near Army Gim, Hadi Nagar Doharra Mafi, VTC Koil, Aligarh PO, DIST : Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh – 202001 and Mr. Mohd Aslam are joint owners of the immovable property bearing B.D.A. Site No.30-KG-179, situated at H.B.R 2nd Stage, 2nd Block, Ward No.23, New BBMP Katha No.130/30-KG-179, EPID No.1326617009, Presently comes under BBMP, Bengaluru, measuring 600 Square feet, Mohd Mohsin and Mohd Aslam have purchased above mentioned property by an Absolute Sale Deed dated 12-05-2014. As the property is a BDA property, the original allottee of the above mentioned property had received the following documents from BDA and other authorities:1)Allotment Letter by BDA dated 30/12/1996 Vide No.BDA/Admin/U.KA.4/BHR2/30KG/179/2003-04, 2) Payment Challans such as, a) Initial deposit receipt of Rs.600/- b) Challan No.596388 dated-21/10/1992 for amount of Rs.4350/- c) Challan No.613381 dated-05/01/1998 for amount of Rs.1000/-, d) Challan No.010284 dated-01/09/2003 for amount of Rs.1500/-, e) Challan No.100184 dated-03/10/2003 for amount of Rs.26,150/-, f) Challan No.109285 dated-20/12/2003 for Amount of Rs.67/-, that was generated and paid during the process of allotment, g) Other relevant property-related documents. The aforesaid Original Documents have been lost/misplaced on 29-01-2026 by Mr. Mohd Mohsin while he was carrying an envelope containing the original property documents, to get Xerox copies of above mentioned papers near Shampura Main Road, Bengaluru-560 045 and he has made best efforts in tracing the same, but efforts were in vain, Further he lodged a police complaint in this regarding on 31-01-2026 if anyone found the aforesaid original document, kindly contact within 7 days from the date this publication at the office address given below.

RAZIYA SULTANA, B.A, LLM, Advocate,
Old No.174/B, New No.25, 3rd Cross Road,
Govindapura Main Road, Rashadnagar,
Arabic College Post, Bengaluru -560045,
Mobile No. 9591509155.

IN THE COURT OF THE 73rd ADDL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE MAYOHALL AT BANGALORE

P & SC No. 25002/2026 (CCH-74)

BETWEEN: 1. Mr. R.Karunakaran, S/o Late R. Ramaswamy, Aged about 66 years, No 18, 1st cross, Saraswathipuram, G. No 8th Street, Jogupalaya, Ulsoor, Bangalore 560 008. **2. Mrs. G.Rajeshwari,** W/o Mr. Gajendran, Aged about 61 years, No 136/5, Ground Floor, Puttamma Dodda Sonnappanahalli, 15th Cross, Nagavarapalya, C.V Nagar Post, Bangalore-560 093 ... **PETITIONER**

3. Smt. Selvi, W/o. late R. Rajashekaran, Aged about 51 years, R/at No 81/A, 2nd Cross, Indira street, Subbanapalya, Maruthi Nagar post, Bangalore 560 033.

AND: NIL ... RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the above named Petitioners 1 to 3 have made a petition to this court under Section 270 & 276 of Indian Succession Act for grant of probate/Letter of Administration in favour of the Petitioners 1 to 3 probate in Will dated 28/12/2020 executed by Late Mrs. MALARKODI V. R., who passed away on 04/01/2021 petitioners are Brothers and sister of the Deceased.

The Hon'ble Court has fixed the date on **13-03-2026** at 11:00 AM for hearing the said petition any person interested in the matter may enter appear on the said date and file their objection if any failing which the court shall proceed further in the matter

SCHEDULE PROPERTY.

All that piece and parcel of Land and Building thereon Bearing Site No-7, formed in Survey No. 31, Situated at 1st cross Saraswathipuram, G. No. 8th Street, Jogupalya, Ulsoor, Bangalore Civil Area, Now under PID No-75-10-117/2 within the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Bounded on East by: Property No.6, West by: Road, North by: Property No.8, South by:Road

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 30-01-2026.

By order of the court, Deputy Registrar, City Civil Court, Mayo Hall Unit, Bangalore.

Mrs. Reshma Khanam, Barrot & Barrot
Advocate & Consultants
No. 401, 4th Floor, Shree Complex, No. 73 St John's Road, Bengaluru-560 042

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ

ಸಹಾಯಕ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಹಾಗೂ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಸಹಾಯಕರು, ಉಪ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ ಪ್ರಾದೇಶಿಕ ವಿಭಾಗ, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ –577 005.

ದೂರವಾಣಿ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 08192–262527 ಇ–ಮೇಲ್:–dcfdvg@gmail.com

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಅಸಂ/ದಾವಿ/ಟೆಂಡರ್/ವಿವ/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 02–02–2026

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

2025–26ನೇ ಸಾಲಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆ.ಎಫ್.ಡಿ.ಎಫ್. [Clear Felled Area] ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಮುಂಗಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿ[ಸಸಿಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸುವುದು ಸೇರಿ]ಗಳನ್ನು ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಲು ದಿನಾಂಕ : 02–02–2026ರಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಹೊರಡಿಸಿ, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10–02–2026ರಂದು ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 01:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ನಿಗಧಿಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ದಿನಾಂಕ : 12–02–2026ರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಯಾರೂ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸದ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ದಿನಾಂಕ 19–02–2026ರಂದು ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 01:00 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ ನಿಗಧಿಪಡಿಸಿ ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನಿಬಂಧನೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ಕಛೇರಿಯ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಯನ್ನು ಸಂಪರ್ಕಿಸಿ ಮಾಹಿತಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ವಾಸಾಇ/ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ/708/
ಕೆಎಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2025–26

ಸಹಿ/– ಸಹಾಯಕ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ
ಹಾಗೂ ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಸಹಾಯಕರು, ದಾವಣಗೆರೆ

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II, AT BANGALORE

Original Application No. 905 / 2025

The Federal Bank Ltd. ... Applicant
Versus
Sri. Vivek R And Another ... Defendants

Summons / Notice To Defendants Under Rule 23 (VIII) Of Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993, By Way of Paper Publication

To,

1. Sri. Vivek R S/o Sri. Ravishankar, Aged About 30 Years, R/at : 71, 3rd Cross, 6th Main, Bank Office Layout, Raghuvanahalli, Bangalore - 560062.

2. Smt. Sony D.M. W/o. Vivek R, R/at : # 40, Menakshi Residency, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore South, Gottigere, Bangalore - 560083. **... Defendants**

WHEREAS, the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of Recovery of Debts And Bankruptcy Act 1993, against you for the recovery of a sum of **Rs. 36,85,886.96/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakhs Eighty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Six and Paisa Ninety Six Only)** mentioned therein together with current and future interest and other reliefs. The above defendants are therefore, hereby directed to appear before the Tribunal in person or through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense within 30 days from the date of publication or on **06.03.2026 at 10.30 am** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and Seal of this Tribunal on this the **20.01.2026**

Registrar,
Debt Recovery Tribunal - II
Bangalore

Filed by Malini Vinay
Advocate for Applicant Bank

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients have negotiated and entered into sale agreement and intended to purchase the Residential Apartment bearing No.E-411 in Fourth Floor of **'GOLDEN MAGIC'** Block constructed in **'BRIGADE GARDENIA'** and measuring 1420 Sq. Feet of super built up area approximately which includes built up area of 1136 Sq. Feet One Top Covered Car Parking Space in the Basement Floor along with 71/15862th i.e.., 361.31 Sq. Feet of Undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership entire property situated at Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk for a valuable consideration from S. Suneela Prasad W/o Salur Prasada Rao & Salur Prasada Rao Alias S. Prasada Rao, S/o S Krishna Murthy, residing at No.17-1-391/1/11 S B H Officers Colony, Behind Saibaba Temple, Saidabad Colony, Saidabad, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh - 500 059.

If any person/s, financial institution, company having any claims, right, title, interest, whatsoever over the above mentioned property may forward their objections to the undersigned in writing, within **Ten days** from the date of this notice. Failing which it will be presumed that there are no claims, right, title or interest by anybody and my clients will proceed with the purchase transaction and will get register the absolute sale deed of above mentioned property in their name.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY:
(APARTMENT)

All that Residential Apartment bearing No.E-411 in Fourth Floor of **'GOLDEN MAGIC'** Block and measuring 1420 Sq. Feet of super built up area approximately which includes built up area of 1136 Sq. Feet and proportionate share in common areas such as passages, lobbies, lifts, staircases and other areas of common use measuring 284 Sq. Feet with exclusive right of usage of One Top Covered Car Parking Space in the Basement Floor along with 71/15862th i.e.., 361.31 Sq. Feet of Undivided share, right, title, interest and ownership in the entire Property i.e., entire property formed out of Sy. No.112, 113 & 114 of Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, totally measuring Fifteen Acres Thirty Five Guntas and converted for non-agricultural residential purposes by the Order of the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore vide its Order bearing No.BDIS.ALN.SR (S) 144/98-99, dated 20/04/1999 and bearing Village Panchayath Khata No.2141 and the Apartment is bounded by:

East : Open Space in the Block 'GOLDEN MAGIC'
West : Staircase and Apartment No. E-410 in the Block 'GOLDEN MAGIC'
North : Open Space in the Block 'GOLDEN MAGIC', and
South : Apartment No.E-412 in the Block 'GOLDEN MAGIC'.

Bangalore
Date: 03.02.2026

G.NARAYANA HEBBAR, Advocate
No.38/15, Ground Floor, W.A.T. Street,
Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004.
Ph.No. 8073573477

Can Fin Homes Ltd
(Sponsor: CANARA BANK)
Kanakapura Road Branch

Can Fin Homes Ltd

No. 58, 6th cross,Manjunathnagara,
Raghuvanahalli,Bangalore 560 062
Phone : 080-29751565/7625079172
e-mail Id: kanakapura@canfinhomes.com
CIN: L85110KA1987PLC008699

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)]

(For Immovable Property)

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **01.12.2025** calling upon **Mr.SHANKAR** S/o BETAPPA, And **Mrs.VIJI** W/o SHANKAR and **Guarantor Mr.Darshan S** S/o SHANKAR and Guarantor **1 Mr.Sharath Gowda P S** S/o Shivalingaiah to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.14,48,226/-**(RupeesFourteen Lakhs Fourty Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty SixOnly) with further interest at contractual rates, till date of realization within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to Repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described here in below in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the (Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on the **03rd February 2026.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets

The borrower in particular and the public in general are here by cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Can Fin Homes Ltd (CFHL) for an amount of **Rs.14,48,226/-** (RupeesFourteen Lakhs Fourty Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty Six Only) and further interest and other incidental charges thereon.

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY:-

All the piece and parcel of the immovable House property bearing western portion of Site No.35,Katha no.24/3, Measuring East to West 23 feet and North to South 15 feet, totally measuring 345 sqfts,situated at Jaraganahallivillage,Bommanahalli Municipality limits, UttarahalliHobli, Bangalore South Taluk,Bangalore-560078 and bounded on the East by - Remaining eastern portion of same site, West by - Site no.36, North by Site no.32, South by Road.

Date :03.02.2026
Place :Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.,

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public are hereby informed that, my client **SMT. SHANTHA ASWATHA NARAYANA,** W/o Sri. P. A. Aswatha Narayana, Sooryashree, No:12, 4th Cross, Shankarnag Road, Papaiah Garden, BSK III Stage, Bangalore – 560 085, has lost the printed page numbers 14 and 15 of the original Sale Deed bearing Document No:19657/2003-04 of Book I and stored in CD No:125 registered in the office of the Sub-registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, on 30.01.2004 executed by Smt. R. Sunanda and others in favour of Smt. Sharmila Bhattacharya and another. She lodged a Complaint with the jurisdictional Police Station. If anybody found, be sent to my following address.

B. SUBRAYA KHARVI, Advocate
No. 231, 11th Main, 37th Cross,
4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore.

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE XXII ADDL. CITY CIVIL COURT AT BENGALURU (C.C.H. 7)

O.S. No. 466/2024

Plaintiff : Smt. Nadhiya W/o Shekar, Aged about 36 years, R/at No. 282, 1st Main, 1st "E" Cross, Ambedkar Nagar, Old Byappapanahalli, M.S. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560 033.

V/s

Defendant : Smt. Anthoniamma D/o Govindan, Aged about 48 years, R/at No. 280, 1st Main, 1st "E" Cross, Ambedkar Nagar, Old Byapapanahalli, M.S. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560 033.

Summons To The Defendant

To, **Defendant : Smt. Anthoniamma** D/o Govindan, Aged about 48 years, R/at No. 280, 1st Main, 1st "E" Cross, Ambedkar Nagar, Old Byapapanahalli, M.S. Nagar Post, Bengaluru - 560 033.

Whereas the above name plaintiff instituted a suit against you for recovery of Money 3,00,000/- with interest at 18% p.a. from the date of the suit realization.

You are hereby summoned to appear before the Hon'ble 7th City Civil Court at Bengaluru **on 16.03.2026 at 11 am** in person or through advocate / pleader to answer the questions to the same. Failing which the suit will be hear and determined as ex-parte.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the immovable residential property bearing Site No. 280, 1st Main, Ambedkar nagar, Old Byappanahalli, M.S. Nagar Post, Bangalore -560 033 measuring 10' X 13' together with existing building thereon with AC sheet roofing and civil amenities and bounded on :- East by : Vijay's property, West by : Private property, North by : Jayanthi's property, South by : Property No. 132.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, this 29.1.2026.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bengaluru.
S.N. SAMEER, J. ARUN, Advocates
Office at No. 22, Lakshmi Nilya, Yamuna Bai Road,
Kumar Park East, Madhavanagar, Bengaluru - 560 001.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby put to Notice that **1. Smt. G.Radha,** W/o. Late G.Krishnamma Naidu, Aged about 59 years, **2. Sri.Gorijala Umakanth,** S/o. Late G.Krishnama Naidu, Aged about 33 years and **3. Smt.G.Kavya,** D/o. Late. G.Krishnama Naidu, Aged about 29 years, all are residing at No.819-1-5, 13th Cross, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560 070, represents that they are the absolute owners of the below mentioned Schedule Property and my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from the aforesaid owners.

Any person having any right, title, claim or interest in the Schedule Property must notify the undersigned with documentary proof thereof within **Ten (10) days** of this publication. In case no such notice is received by us within **Ten (10) days** from the date of publication of this notice, it shall be presumed that the title of the aforesaid owners with respect to the Schedule Property is clear, marketable and free from encumbrance/s of any kind whatsoever and no person has any right, title or interest of any nature whatsoever in respect of the Schedule Property or any part thereof. Claims or alleged interest, if any, which are not received within **Ten (10) days** from the date of publication of this notice shall be deemed to have been waived and disregarded for all intents and purposes and shall not be binding on my client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Site Nos. 18, 19, 20 and 21,** carved out of land in Sy.No.6/2C, having Municipal No.2, **EPID No.9193853577,** measuring East to West **40 feet** and North to South **120 feet,** totally measuring **4800 Square feet,** situated at **Kadirenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore** and bounded on:-

East by : Private Property;
West by : Road;
North by : Subramanyapura Main Road;
South by : Site No.17.

G.V. Sudhakar, Advocate
No. 346, New No.35, 12th Cross,
7th Main, 2nd Block, Jayanagar,
Bangalore-560 011.
Mobile: 9886359644

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-45)

P & SC. No 452/2025

BETWEEN : 1. Mrs. Selvi Pundarika
W/o K.R. Pudarika, Aged about 64 years,
2. K.R. Pundarika S/o late K.V. Ramakrishnaiah Aged about 69 years, Both are R/at MA 802, Golden Grand Apartment, Tumkur Road, Yeshwanthpur, Bengaluru-560 022.
...PETITIONER

AND : Sri. Sugumar Raja R.A S/o late Arunachalam Chettiar, Aged about 75 years, R/at No.32/40, Pooram Prakasam Road, Balajinagar, Royapettah, Chennai, Tamilnadu Pin-600014.
...RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

Whereas, the above named Petitioners have made a petition to the Hon'ble XLIV Addl. Civil and Sessions Judge, (CCH-45) at Bengaluru under Section 376 of the India Succession Act, 1952, praying for issuance of Probate in respect of the Schedule Property as below, so left by the deceased Shakunthala had expired on 17/09/2024 who is none other than 1st Petitioner's mother Jagadamba's younger sister and the 2nd Petitioner is the husband of the 1st Petitioner.

Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this court in person (or) by pleader duly instructed **on 18th day of February Two Thousand Twenty Six (18/02/2026) at 11.00 Clock** in forenoon to show cause against the petition failing wherein, the matter will be heard and determined in accordance with law.

'A' SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Flat No.MA802, on the 8th Floor in the Maple 'A' block, in the residential Apartment Complex known as Golden Grand Apartments, Tumkur Road, Yeshwanthapur, Bangalore-560 022, which come under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahangara Palike, Bangalore with PID No.2-172-8/2-28.

'B' SCHEDULE

Corporation No.32, (old No. 10) Puram Prakash Rao Road, Balaji Nagar, Madra, vide O.S.No.3956 and Re-survey No.633/4, measuring 96 feet North to South and 50 feet, East to West, exactly 50% of his property i.e., Easter portion measuring 25 feet x 96 feet i.e., 2400 sq.ft., is reserved for my siblings families. Whereas the remaining 50% of said property ie., Western Portion measuring 25 feet x 96 feet i.e., 2400 sq.ft., goes to my legal heir Sri. K.R. Pundarika, who is affectionate care taker. Document No.736 of 1981 and bounded on:- East by : Private Property, West by : Private Property, North by : Private Property, South by : Puram Prakash Road.

'C' SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Western half portion of 'B' Schedule Property measuring East to West: 25 feet, North to South: 96 feet, in all measuring 2400 sq.ft., and bounded on:- East by: Property bequeathed to Sugumar Raja R.A., West by: Private Property, North by: Private Property, South by: Puram Prakash Road. SKETCH OF THE 'B' SCHEDULE PROPERTY dividing half to the 2nd Petitioner and the Eastern portion of the B-schedule Property shall got to the Sugumar Raja R.A. Sibling of Smt. Shakuntala. and the Respondent according to the Will.

EASTERN PORTION goes to Sri. SUGUMAR RAJA R.A. i.e., measuring 25 feet x 96 feet, totally measuring 2400 sq.ft.,

WESTERN PORTION goes to 2nd Petitioner Sri. K.R. PUNDARIKA i.e., 2nd Petitioner herein measuring 25 feet x 96 feet, totally measuring 2400 sq.ft.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this the 2nd day of February 2026.

By order of the Court, Senior Sheristedar,
City Civil Court, Bengaluru.
Advocate for Petitioners
Sri. Shivarudra, Sri. G. Chandrahasa
Sri. Girish .S, & Sri. R. Rajesha
Office at No. 77/1, 2nd Main,
Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru - 560 020.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **Smt LATHA** W/o Sri.Thimmegowda. Bangalore, intends to purchase and entered into an Agreement of sale dt:22-01-2026 with Sri.KUMAR S/o Sri.Thammaiah R/at No.1111, Samruddhi, 2nd Cross, Swamy Vivekananda Road, Sharadadevinagara, Raamakrish nanagara, Mysore-570022, in respect of Immoveable property No.45, Sy.No.133, Khatha EPID No. 4007914399, situated at Laggere Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk., now comes under the BBMP Ward No.41, Rajeshwarinagara, Laggere, Bangalore, measuring East to West 30-00 Feet, North to South 40-00 Feet, total measuring 1200 square Feet, including all rights and appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the: **East by :** Property No.46, **West by :** property No.44, **North by :** Property No.26, **South by :** Road. If anybody or any local government or central or state government or local panchayath, or revenue department, or any authority or any Society, Trust or any temples, or companies or any of the person/s have got right, power, minor claims, co-parcenary rights, ancestral rights, joint family property rights, or any objections or any types of claims, any types of government / private acquisitions, may file their objections and claims along with relevant documents and documentary proofs to the undersigned within Ten (10) days from the date of publication of this notice.

Date : 3/2/2026 **Place :** Bangalore

Sd/- V. G. Manjunath. Advocates,
No.52/B-44, 7th Main, 4th Block, Nandinilyout,
Bangalore-560 096. Mobile: 9620399285.

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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER (through https://ireps.gov.in)

PUB/1854

CE/C-VI/SC Construction Organisation, S.C.Railway, Secunderabad, respectively, invites e-tender on behalf of the President of India for the following works:

S.No.: 01 **NIT No.:** 04-CAO- C-SC-2026 Date: 23/01/2026 **Name of work:** SCR Construction Organization: Secunderabad Division: Augmentation of home capacity from 225 to 300 locomotives at ELS/LGD. **Estimated Cost (₹):** 14,61,04,430.71 **EMD (₹):** 8,80,500.00 **Completion Period :** 12 (Twelve)Months **Date of Opening:** 17/02/2026 15:00hrs.

S.No.: 02 **NIT No.:** 05-CAO- C-SC-2026 Date: 23/01/2026 **Name of work:** SCR Construction Organization: Hyderabad Division-Augmentation of infrastructure facilities for Maintenance of Vande Bharat rakes at Train Set Maintenance Depot at Moula-ali. **Estimated Cost (₹):** 29,00,58,428.24 **EMD (₹):** 16,00,300.00 **Completion Period :** 12 (Twelve)Months **Date of Opening:** 17/02/2026 15:00hrs.

1) For bid document and other details, please login to website **https://ireps.gov.in.**

2) Tenderers can submit their offers online during tender submission period which is the Fifteen days period prior to closing of tender.

3) Tenderers should watch for any corrigenda (issued online only) up to the date of commencement of the tender submission period.

Chief Administrative Officer,
A2349 Const., Secunderabad

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

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IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF THE II ADDL CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE, AT BENGALURU (CCH-17)

MIS. PET. No:621/2025

Between :
Dr. Srilalitha Sampath Krishna,
W/o. Late V. Sampath Krishna, D/o. Narayana Jogithaya, Aged about 42 years, Residing at No. 255/1, 1st Floor, 2nd Main, 2nd Block, Byrappa Block, Thyagarajanagara, Bangalore-560028. **........Petitioner**

And

Vedala Divya Manoghna, D/o Vedala Vijayakumar, Aged about 27 years, R/at No. 13-133, Bhagyanagar colony, behind Krishnaveni Talent School, Parameshwara Theatre Road, Mehaboobnagar, Shadnagar, Telanagana-509216 **......... Respondent**

Suit summons to respondents under Order V Rule 20(1-A) of the civil procedure code.

To: Vedala Divya Manoghna, D/o Vedala Vijayakumar, Aged about 27 years, R/at No. 13-133, Bhagyanagar colony, behind Krishnaveni talent school, Parameshwara theatre Road, Mehaboobnagar, Shadnagar, Telanagana-509216

Whereas the above named petitioner has filed the above petition for setting aside the order of dismissal dated : 19.03.2024, passed in OS 6138/17 restored the same on the file of this hon'ble court by allowing the petition. You, the respondent are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person **on the day of 26.03.2026 at 11.00 O'clock** in the forenoon to answer the claim and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defense.

Take notice that, in default of your appearance on that day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand &seal of the court, this **28th day of January 2026.**

By order of the court,
Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court
Bangalore

US NAVY JET SHOOTS 'AGGRESSIVE' IRAN DRONE

Iran accused of harassing another American vessel; Pakistan among invitees to US-Iran nuclear talks possibly in Turkiye

WASHINGTON

A US Navy fighter jet shot down an Iranian drone that was approaching the aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln in the Arabian Sea, US Central Command said on Tuesday, threatening to ramp up tensions as the Trump administration look to set up a talks table with Iran on its nuclear ambitions.

The drone "aggressively approached" the aircraft carrier with "unclear intent" and "continued to fly toward the ship despite de-escalatory measures taken by US forces operating in international waters," Central Command spokesman Capt. Tim Hawkins said in a statement on Tuesday.

The shootdown occurred within hours of Iranian forces harassing a US-flagged and US-crewed merchant vessel that was sailing in the Strait of Hormuz, the US military said.

The Shahed-139 drone was shot down by an F-35C fighter jet from the Lincoln, which, according to Hawkins, was sailing about 500 miles from Iran's southern coast. The military's statement noted that no American troops were harmed and no US equipment was damaged.

Then, hours later, Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps forces harassed the merchant vessel Stena Imperative, the military said.

Earlier in the day, Pakistan said it has been invited to participate in the Iran-US talks that is expected to take place at a neutral venue, possibly in Turkiye.

Foreign Office (FO) spokesperson Tahir Andrabi confirmed that Islamabad has been invited. "Pakistan has received the invitation for the upcoming talks between Iran and the United States," Andrabi said in response to a media query.

According to official sources, other countries, including Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Egypt, Oman and the United Arab Emirates (UAE), are expected to participate in the foreign minister-level parleys. Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar is expected to represent Pakistan in the meeting.

Meanwhile, Iran is seeking the lifting of sanctions in case the two sides agree on the nuclear issue. Iran's president said on Tuesday that he instructed the country's foreign minister to "pursue fair and equitable negotiations" with the United States, the first clear sign from Tehran it wants to try to negotiate as tensions remain high with Washington after the Mideast country's bloody crackdown on nationwide protests last month. The announcement marked a major turn for reformist President Masoud Pezeshkian, who broadly had warned Iranians for weeks that the turmoil in his country had gone beyond his control. It also signals that the president received support from Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei for talks that the 86-year-old cleric previously had dismissed. Turkiye had been working behind the scenes to make the talks happen there later this week. *PTI/AP*

President of Iran, Masoud Pezeshkian

EXPRESS READ

Vatican trial spotlights secret papal decrees

VATICAN CITY: Defense lawyers in the Vatican's financial "trial of the century" argued that four secret decrees by Pope Francis gave prosecutors sweeping powers and undermined fair trial rights. The appeal concerns Cardinal Angelo Becciu and others convicted in 2023 over a costly London property deal. Lawyers said unpublished decrees allowed unchecked surveillance and arrests without warrants. Judges asked attorneys to avoid naming Francis. The appeals court is now weighing whether evidence gathered under the decrees should be ruled inadmissible. Prosecutors maintain the investigation followed Vatican law and insist the convictions reflected evidence, not special treatment or political pressure externally.

S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

For and on behalf of the President of India, the Dy. Chief Engineer/Con/Garden Reach,Kolkata-700043, South Eastern Railway invites e-tenders for the following work. Following tenders have been uploaded on website **www.ireps.gov.in.** The tender will be closed at 12.00 hrs. on due date: **e-Tender Notice No.: 01-DCE-C-GRC-01-2026; Brief Description of Works:** Construction of El Building and allied work in connection with Additional loop line at Bakranayabaz station in the jurisdiction of Dy. CE/Con/Garden Reach of South Eastern Railway. Estimate No. 1885W/2022; **Approx. Cost:** ₹ 5,18,52,533.93; **Bid Security:** ₹ 4,09,300.00; **Completion period:** 08 months; **Closing Date:** 10.03.2026; Interested tenderers may visit website **www.ireps.gov.in** for full details / description / specification of the tenders and submit their bids online. No case manual tenders for these items will be accepted. **NB:** "Prospective bidders may regularly visit **www.ireps.gov.in** to participate in all other tenders". **(PR-1137)**

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH - 45)

O.S No. 1444/2025

BETWEEN : Canara Bank Sanjay Nagar Branch No.126/A, 80 Feet Road, Sanjaynagar, Near Ashwathnagar Bus Stop, Bangalore -560094 Represented By its Manager, Mr. Paramappa M Koturu S/o Mutteppa Aged About 35 Years.
...PLAINTIFF

AND : M/s Mangalore Fish Stall **...DEFENDANT**

SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT UNDER ORDER V RULE 20(1) OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 1908

M/s Mangalore Fish Stall Proprietor : Mr.Ganesh N No.212/4, D Rajgopal Road, Opp. Muneshwara Temple, Nagashettyhalli, R M V 2nd Stage, Bangalore -560094 M.No:99000000891 / 9916444891 **Also at : Mr.Ganesh N** S/o Narayana K Aged about 31 Years No.57, A Block, CIL Layout, Sanjaynagar, R M V 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 560094 **Also at : Mr.Ganesh N** S/o Narayana K Aged about 31 Years, No.4-109, Katathattu Paudukere, Kotathattu, Udupi, Karnataka -576221

Whereas the plaintiff instituted a suit against you for recovery of Rs.2,25,418.18/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Four Hundred and Eighteen and Paisa Eighteen only) as on 30.11.2024 along with current and further interest @ 12% p.a., with a penal interest @ of 10.30% p.a., from 30.11.2024 to till the date of realization.

You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble court on **11/3/26 at 11.00 AM** in person or through the Advocate/pleader to answer the question to the same failing which the suit will be heard and determined as Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court this 22nd day of January 2026.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristedar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

Padmashree M Advocate for Plaintiff
No.29, 3rd Cross, Vinayaka Layout,
Bhoopasandra, Bangalore - 560 094

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Under instructions and on behalf of my client **Smt. Lingamma Y.,** Notice is hereby given to the general public that a **Civil Suit in O.S. No/1191/2014** is pending on the file of the **Court of the Principal Senior Civil Judge at Anekal,** in respect of the schedule properties described hereunder.

The said suit was originally filed by **Mr. K.M. Yallappa (since deceased)** and is now being prosecuted by his **Legal Representative,** namely:

Smt. Lingamma Y., W/o Late K.M. Yallappa, Aged about 62 years, Residing at No. 43/4, 4th Cross, Lakkasandra, Bengaluru – 560030. And OTHERS. Mobile no: 8123863425 & 9844999242

AGAINST:

Smt. Yallamma, and OTHERS.

The suit properties involved in the above said case are lands situated at **Chikkanagamangala Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru District,** more fully described below:

SCHEDULE PROPERTIES

(1) Land bearing **Sy. No. 1/2,** measuring **4 Acres 08 Guntas,** (2) Land bearing **Sy. No. 52,** measuring **2 Acres 24 Guntas,** (3) Land bearing **Sy. No. 14/3,** measuring **1 Acre 03 Guntas,** (4) Land bearing **Sy. No. 1/1,** measuring **3 Acres 30 Guntas,** and (5) Land bearing **Sy. No. 85/1,** measuring **2 Acres 15 Guntas,**

NOTICE: The general public is hereby strictly cautioned not to purchase, enter into any agreement of sale, mortgage, lease, gift, exchange, alienation, or any kind of transaction, nor to interfere with or claim any right, title, or interest in respect of the above schedule properties, as the same are subject matter of litigation in O.S. No/1191/2014, which is pending for adjudication before the competent Civil Court at Anekal.

Any person dealing with the above said properties in any manner whatsoever, despite this public notice, shall do so entirely at his/her own risk, cost, and consequences. Such transactions, if any, shall not be binding plaintiffs and any such transactions will be null and void. This notice is issued in the interest of the public to avoid future disputes / litigations and complications.

Dr. R. Jayashankar, Advocates,
J S Associates,
No. 202, Sahel Building, Behind
Third Wave Coffee, Cunningham
Road, Bangalore - 560001
jsassociateslaw2024@gmail.com
Mobile No: 9901630009

Dated : 03/02/2026 Place : Bengaluru

ADDITIONAL DISTRICT MUNSIF COURT, TIRUVALLUR

O.S.No: 104/2004

Purushothaman ... Plaintiff

Verus

1. Gajapathi Reddy,
2. Ravidralal
3. A. Padmini
4. Sub Registrar, Tiruvallur,

...Defendants

To,
A. Padmini W/o. Anandalal Jain
1259, 9th 1st Street, 9A Cross,
K.N. Extension, Yashwartpur,
Bangalore-560022.

The above suit to declare sale deed dated 16.10.2001 document No. 4616 and 9.4.2009 Document No. 9036.2009 as null and void and for permanent injunction is posted for your appearance on 25.2.2026. If you fail to appearin person or through counsel on that date in the above court you will be set ex-parte.

M. VENKATARANGAM
Advocate for plaintiff

IN THE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II AT BANGALORE

CASE No. O.A.1373/2025

Summons under sub-section (4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule (2A) of rule 5 of the Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules, 1993

STATE BANK OF INDIA ...Applicant
V/S
Sri Rajesh .S ...Defendant

To ,
Sri Rajesh .S S/o Shivalinagaiah, R/a.No.02, 19th Cross, Temple Bell, Premium partment TE,R R Nagar, Kenchanahalli Bangalore-98
Also at : 175, 5th Cross Road, Kenchenahalli Rajarajeshwarinagar Bangalore 560098
...DEFENDANT

SUMMONS ISSUED TO THE DEFENDANS UNDER RULE 23(VII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PRCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION.

Whereas the applicant has instituted ari original application for the recovery of the loan obtained by you by applicant bank under **Section 19 of RECOVERY OF DEBTS DUE TO THE BANKS AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT, 1993 for a sum Rs. 25,12,074/- [Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Eighty Twelve Thousand and Seventy Four Only)** the relief claimed in the application and for other reliefs. The above named defendants are required to appear therefore hereby directed to appeal before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or duly instructed in support of their defence to show cause on **25.05.2026 at 10.30 AM** as why the relief's prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this **30.01.2026**.

BY ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL, REGISTRAR
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
BANGALORE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our Client has negotiated to purchase immovable Property being Industrially Converted Land in Survey No 45/4 (previously Sy. No.41/2006-07), Khatha No. 19, MR No.H5/2013-2014, measuring 0.27 (Twenty seven) Guntas or 29.403 Square feet, which is bounded by on the East by: Private Property, West by: S R Suhail Ahmed and S R Rumman's property & road (at present belongs to Christian Fellowship Church) North by: Property of the same Survey No., South by: Property belongs to Liyakath Ali. Land measuring 0.27 (Twenty seven) situated at BELLAHALLI VILLAGE, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, presently comes within the BBMP limit, Ward No.05. From RAHMA WELFARE TRUST, No. 11/10, Haynes Road, Richmond Town, Bengaluru 560025. Vide Deputy Commissioner Conversion Order No. ALN (NAY) SR123/16-17 dated 06.04.2017, Total land measuring 0.27 (Twenty seven) Guntas or 29.403 Square feet.

If any person/s are having any objections or claim in respect of the above sale, the same be lodged to with documentary proof within 7 days, failing which our client will get the sale Deed registered and it shall be deemed there are no claims of any nature whatsoever.

MANJULA. P, Advocate
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Bangalore 560068. Ph. 9448457881,
E-Mail: sumukhavelpa@gmail.com,
Date:03-02-2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Sri. Harish.C.T.** S/o Sri.Thimmegowda .C.T. represents to me that eastren portion of residential vacant site bearing No.31, Old katha No. 106/1/B/31/7091/58/59, of Lakshmipura village Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk: measuring East to West 28 feet and North to South 40 feet, totally 1120 sq. feet (104.0518 sq. meters), presently in Madanayakanahali CMC, Ward No.1, CMC e-katha property No.1902178353, has been acquired by him, under a Registered Sale deed dt.19.01.2026, Registered as No.3902 of 2025-26 and stored in centralized Electronic media registered in the Office of Sub Registrar, Madanayakanahalli, (Rajajinagar Registration District) from his predecessor-in-title Smt. Asha.L. w/o of Sri.J.Anthony. She in turn had acquired from one Sri.R.Nagendra Prasad, and he had acquired from Sri.Rajanna and others, under Registered Sale deed dated 05.11.2013 Regd.As No.3972 of 2013-14, CD No. YPRD.89, SR, Yeswantpur. The aforesaid Registered document No.3972/2012-13 is not traced now and has been lost and/or misplaced.

If anybody has/have found and/or in possession of the afore mentioned Original Registered sale deed viz Registered Sale deed **dt.05.11.2013, Registered as No.3902 of 2013-14** registered in the Office of Sub Registrar, Yeswantpur,the same be returned to Sri. Harish.C.T.. or to the undersigned.

If anyone has any claim, or interest over the said property, they may submit their claim, if any, within 10 days from the date of this publication, and claims if any, received thereafter shall not be binding on my client.

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TIRUCHIRAPPALLI CITY CORPORATION

Request for Proposal Notice No: 395/2025-26

The tenderers willing to submit tenders for Management and **Operation of Multi Utility Facility Complex (MUFC) at Panjappur in Ward No.62, Tiruchirappalli City Corporation on Public Private Partnership (”PPP”) Mode for a period of 15 years,** are requested to submit tenders through E-Tendering procedure in **http://tntenders.gov.in** as well as through sealed hard copies on or before **3.00 p.m.** of **20.02.2026**, which will be downloaded and opened at **04.00 p.m** in the same day. If the date of receipt of tender happens to be holiday, then tenders will be received in the succeeding working day at the same time and venue.

Pre bid meeting in this regard will be held on **05.02.2026** at **11.00 am** at **Commissioner's Conference Hall, Corporation Main office.** Other details may be obtained in the Engineering section, Main office during office hours in working days. Tender Conditions are available in the above said website.

(E1/14649/2025(Main))
DIPR/478/TENDER/2026

Commissioner,
Tiruchirappalli City Corporation

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER THROUGH e-TENDER

e-Tender is invited from the eligible tenderers for the following works as per the procedure of CMWSSB conforming to the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 and Rules 2000.

Sl. No.	Name of work and Tender No.	EMD amount in Rs.	Availability of Tender Schedule	e-Bid Submission closing Date	e-Bid Opening Date
1	Supply and delivery of various sizes of "LA" and "A" class Cast Iron Pipes as per IS 1536/2001 to its latest revision including rubber gasket (EPDM) conforming to IS 5382/1985 to its latest revision with ISI mark on A.R.C basis for the year 2025-2026. **Tender no.: MAT/OT/024/ 2025-26.**	7,12,000/-	05.02.2026 to 23.02.2026 upto 3.00 P.M	23.02.2026 upto 3.00 p.m.	24.02.2026 at 3.30 p.m.
2.	EMD by online transfer only through NIC Portal. The tenderer shall submit scanned copy of online transaction statement towards EMD as part of Tender document.				
3.	Availability of tender documents and e-bid submission is permitted through tender portal / **website:www.tntenders.gov.in.** For all other details refer tender schedule in the website from **05.02.2026.**				

DIPR/709/TENDER/2026

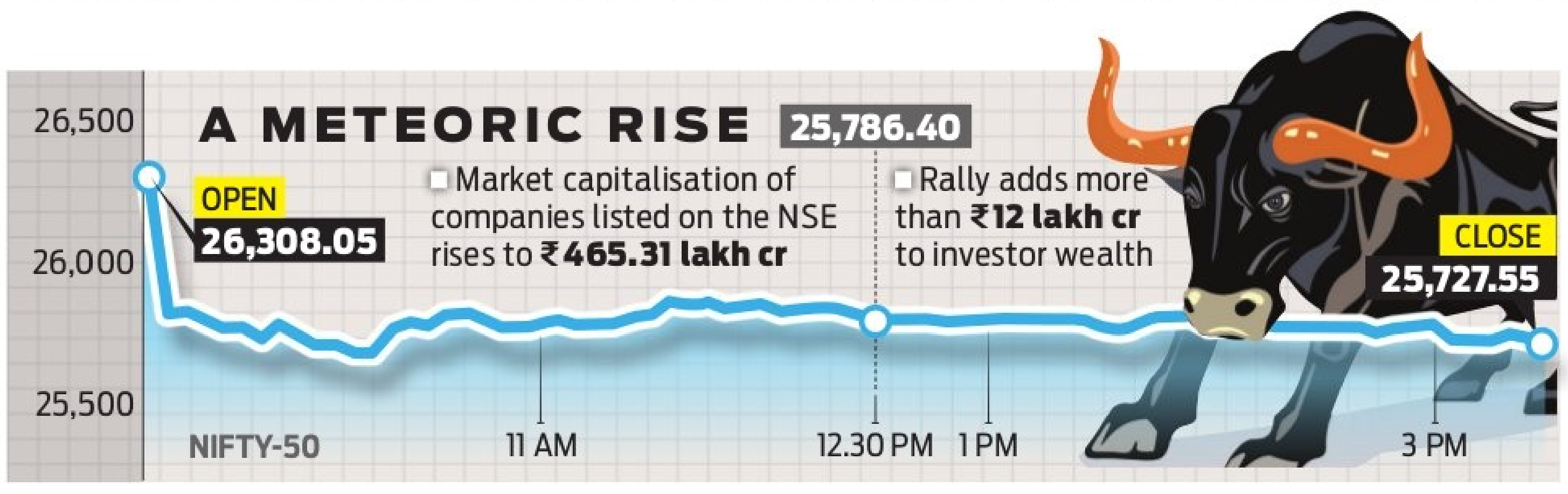
PURCHASE MANAGER

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX	
2072.67 ↑	Sensex	83,739.13	₹760 ↑	24 carat (10 gm)	₹154,080	₹24,000 ↑	1 kg	₹2,84,000	↓ Dollar	90.44
639.15 ↑	Nifty	25,727.55	₹70 ↑	22 carat (10 gm)	₹ 141,250	₹240 ↑	10 gm	₹2,840	↓ Euro	106.85

India-US trade deal triggers market rally

Nifty settles at 25,727.55, up 2.55%, while Sensex rises 2.54% to end at 83,739.13 as investors regain confidence



PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru

DOMESTIC equity markets ended sharply higher on Tuesday after India and the US finalised a long-awaited trade agreement, lifting investor confidence across sectors. Benchmark Sensex and Nifty 50 closed with gains of nearly 2.5%, their strongest single-session rise in about nine months.

In early trade, markets surged nearly 5% as buying interest was broad-based. By the close, the Nifty settled at 25,727.55, up 2.55%, while the Sensex rose 2.54% to end at 83,739.13. The rally added more than ₹12 lakh crore to investor wealth, taking the total market capitalisation of companies listed on the NSE-to ₹465.31 lakh crore.

The rally followed announcement of a trade deal between India and the US, which reduced US tariffs on Indian goods exports to 18% from 50%. The agreement came after months of discussions, which has eased a major source of uncertainty for markets. Export-oriented stocks led the gains, supported by expectations of improved trade flows and stronger foreign investment.

All 16 major sectoral indices ended in the positive territory. Broader markets also performed strongly, with small-cap and mid-cap indices rising about 2.8% each. Out of the 50 stocks on the Nifty index, 46 ended higher.

Heavyweight stocks played a key role in lifting benchmarks. Reliance Industries, SBI, ICICI Bank and HDFC Bank rallied substantially, helping drive the overall market higher. Leading private sector banks also advanced. Other individual stocks such as Eternal rose after its inclusion in a global model portfolio, while Adani Ports jumped sharply following an upgrade to its earnings outlook for the current financial year.

Export-linked sectors like auto ancillaries, textiles, apparel, jewellery, IT , pharmaceuticals, seafood, engineering goods, renewables, speciality chemicals and electronics manufacturers all recorded gains during the session. Foreign investors, who had been selling in the selling spree in the domestic market since the start of 2025, partly due to delays in the trade deal, limited exposure to emerging global themes and subdued corporate earnings.

> **Textiles, gems & jewellery, electronics manufacturing, auto ancillaries, and chemical exporters emerge as key gainers , given their revenue contribution from the US** —Jahol Prajapati, Analyst, SAMCO Securities

Rupee sees strongest gain against dollar in 7 years

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

THE rupee posted its strongest gain in seven years as a long-awaited US-India trade deal lifted sentiment, triggering short-covering and fueling a broader rally across domestic financial markets on Tuesday.

As per HDFC Bank's Treasury Macro Research note, President Donald Trump said India had also agreed to "buy $500 billion of US imports ranging from energy, agriculture to many other products over the medium-term." However, the report noted that "we are yet to see ratification of the above or details of the dealfrom the Government of India."

Following the news, rupee strengthened by 1.36% to 90.2650 against the US dollar. This was its best one-day performance since December 2018. The gain followed a period of pressure on the currency, during which it had fallen to a record low of 91.9875 only days earlier. That weakness had been driven by companies hedging dollar exposure and concerns over foreign capital outflows.

HDFC Bank said that "the initial market reaction has been a strong rally in the rupee and positive spillovers even seen in the bond market today." It added that the trade deal announcement was likely to "ease the downward pressure on the rupee in the near-term." Market activity suggested that traders reduced long dollar positions in the non-deliverable forward market, while expectations of inflows into Indian equities also supported the spot currency market. Indian shares rose sharply, with the benchmark Nifty 50 index climbing 2.5%.

HDFC Bank said it expected the currency to trade "between a range of 89.00–91.50 over the quarter, supported by the positive trade deal announcement and improvement in seasonal capital inflows."

BRIGHT SPOT

Textile sector sees hope, seeks clarity on tariffs

SANAL SUDEVAN @ Chennai

THE textile hubs of Tiruppur and Surat have expressed relief after US President Donald Trump announced a reset of import tariffs on Indian goods, reducing the effective rate to about 18% and removing the additional 25% levy imposed over India's purchase of Russian oil.

However, exporters of textiles and consumer products have sought more clarity on product-wise tariffs and whether the revised levies would include the pre-April duty of 16%.

KM Subramanian, president of the Tiruppur Exporters' Association (TEA), said, "We are happy with the reduction of the US tariffs after the phone call between Trump and Prime Minister Narendra Modi. This is the lowest among the countries that export apparel products to the US."

As of now, exporters said the US import levy appears to include the new tariff of 18%, along with an import duty of 17%, though clarity is still awaited.

Bangladesh, Vietnam and Malaysia are among the major exporters of textile and apparel products to the US, and these countries attract tariffs in the range of 19-20%. Raja M Shanmugham, former president of TEA, said, "The countries all over the world have realised the importance of conducting trade with India. In this disturbed and uncertain geopolitical and geoeconomic condition, this is a sense of relief for us. We will be able to export without any pressure now."

A Sakthivel, chairman of Apparel Exports Promotion Council (AEPC), said, the positive development is likely to provide a strong impetus to apparel exports, attract fresh investments across the entire value chain. Nikhil Madrashi, president of South Gujarat Chamber of Commerce and Industry (SGCCI), said, "Now, India is at the advantage as during the course of the US tariff imposition, we have found alternative markets for our products like textile and diamond. This will benefit India in the long term."

However, manufacturers sought clarity on individual products exports. K Rathnam, whole-time director and CEO of Milky Mist Diary Food Ltd, "The conclusion of the trade pact and the associated tariff realignment is a constructive policy development for Indian exporters, including the value-added dairy segment. Greater clarity on tariffs helps create a more predictable trade environment for products such as cheese, ghee and specialised dairy ingredients."

US TRAIFF ON ASIA PACIFIC COUNTRIES

COUNTRY	TARIFF (%)
Vietnam	20
Bangladesh	20
Philippines	19
Indonesia	19
Malaysia	19
Thailand	19
INDIA	18
Japan	15
South Korea	15
Australia	10

Crude imports from US may rise to 10% of total sourcing

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

US crude is likely to emerge as the primary beneficiary of the trade deal with the US, potentially accounting for up to 10% of India's crude intake.

As per the industry analysts, this will displace lighter West African grades rather than Russian supply. Commodity market analytics firm Kpler stated Venezuelan crude may reappear opportunistically, but volumes are likely to remain episodic and constrained by weaker economics, sanctions compliance, insurance, and blending requirements.

Trump earlier said India committed to "BUY AMERICAN" at a much higher level, including purchases of over $500 billion worth of US energy, technology, coal, agriculture, and other products. "The trade deal reinforces India's ongoing diversification strategy at the margin. US crude is emerging as the primary beneficiary, potentially accounting for up to 10% of India's crude intake, largely displacing lighter West African grades rather than Russian supply," said Sumit Ritolia, lead research analyst, refining & modeling at Kpler.

He further added that the trade deal is unlikely to result in a near-term reduction in India's Russian crude imports. According to him, Russian volumes remain largely locked in for the next 8–10 weeks and continue to be economically critical for India's complex refining system, supported by deep discounts on Urals relative to ICE Brent.

"Imports are expected to stay broadly stable in the 1.1-1.3 mbd range through Q1 and early Q2, with any recent moderation offset by higher Middle East inflows rather than a structural shift away from Russian barrels. Refiners are technically capable of operating without Urals, but a rapid disengagement would be commercially challenging and politically sensitive, making any policy-driven recalibration gradual rather than immediate," he added.

Electronics exports likely to see big boost

RAKESH KUMAR @ Mumbai

THE bilateral trade deal announced by India and the US is expected to boost India's electronics exports and increase value addition in the country, industry experts said.

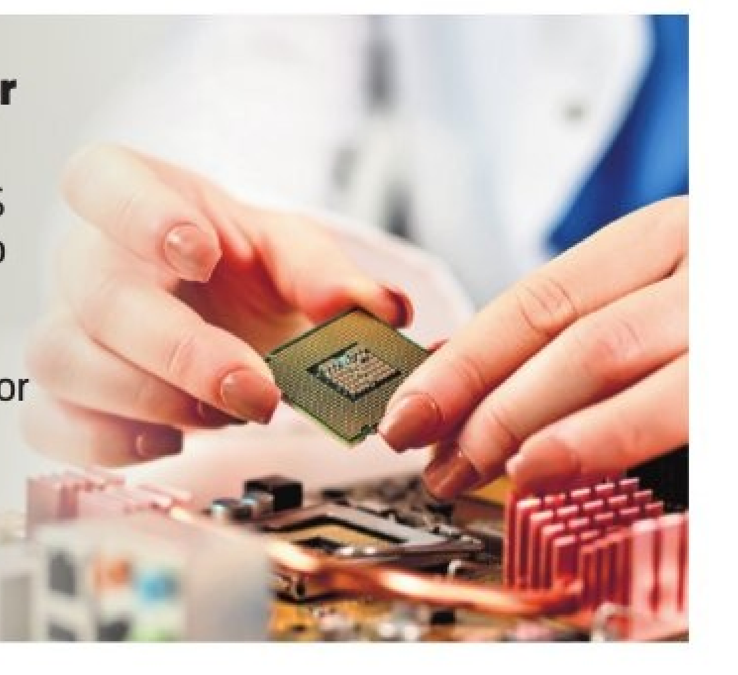
The deal, announced late at night on Tuesday by US President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Narendra Modi, includes a reduction in tariffs from 50% to 18% and aims to expand bilateral trade to $500 billion. Industry analysts said the agreement could generate more than $100 billion in trade in the electronics and semiconductor sectors. Currently, value addition in smartphone manufacturing stands at around 20% to 22%.

"The India–US trade deal can be a major catalyst for India's electronics, semiconductor, and technology ecosystem. It will accelerate semiconductor design and manufacturing, boost electronics value addition, and expand cooperation across AI, data centres, and advanced manufacturing—creating high-skill jobs and positioning India as a strategic and reliable partner in the global technology value chain," said Ashok Chandak, President, SEMI India and IESA.

Pankaj Mohindroo, chairman of ICEA, called the agreement a positive and competitive outcome for India. Mohindroo said that at the agreed 18% tariff rate, India remains well placed relative to key manufacturing peers and retains its attractiveness as a global manufacturing and export hub.

"While we await the finer details of the deal, the direction clearly supports India's strategy of scaling manufacturing and integrating deeper into US-led global value chains, particularly in electronics… We see strong potential for expanded technology collaboration and envision electronics trade reaching $100 billion within the broader $500 billion India–US trade ambition," said Mohindroo.

In FY25, smartphones emerged as India's top export category, with iPhone exports accounting for about 75% of total smartphone shipments. Apple reportedly exported iPhones worth over $16 billion from India in the first nine months of FY26.Apple has also increased iPhone production in India, which now accounts for over 20% of its global output.



FTA may generate over $100 billion in trade

Industry analysts said the US trade agreement expected to generate more than $100 billion in trade in the electronics and semiconductor sectors. At present, value addition in smartphone manufacturing stands at around 20-22%.

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MALAYSIA

RINGGIT SNAPS TWO-DAY LOSING STREAK

The ringgit rebounded on Tuesday, snapping a two-day losing streak as it strengthened against the US dollar, other major currencies and ASEAN peers, buoyed by optimism over Malaysia's economic growth prospects. At 6pm, the ringgit appreciated to 3.9295/3.9360 against the US dollar, up from 3.9440/3.9500 at Friday's close, as trading resumed following the market closure on Monday for Thaipusam and Federal Territory day public holidays. On Monday, S&P Global reported that Malaysia's headline manufacturing purchasing managers' index (PMI) climbed to a 20-month high of 50.2 in January 2026, up from 50.1 in December 2025, marking the third consecutive month of improvement in the manufacturing sector's health. Bank Muamalat Malaysia Bhd chief economist Afzanizam Rashid noted that the PMI increase suggests businesses have been benefitting from lower input costs, supported by the stronger ringgit.

JAPAN

FOOD EXPORTS HIT RECORD IN 2025 ON US DEMAND

Japan's exports of agricultural, forestry and fishery products rose 12.8% to an all-time high in 2025, lifted by stronger shipments to the US despite new tariffs, and by a rebound in exports to China from the previous year's slump. Exports totalled 1.701 trillion yen ($10.9 billion) last year, up from 1.507 trillion yen in 2024, marking a 13th consecutive annual gain and a record high, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) said on Tuesday. "Rising global interest in Japanese cuisine, greater awareness of Japanese food among inbound tourists, and growing health consciousness are driving demand," said Kazuyoshi Nakasugi, deputy director of MAFF's export policy planning division, pointing to industry hearings. He said these factors pushed exports to many countries, including the U.S., Taiwan, and South Korea, to record levels.

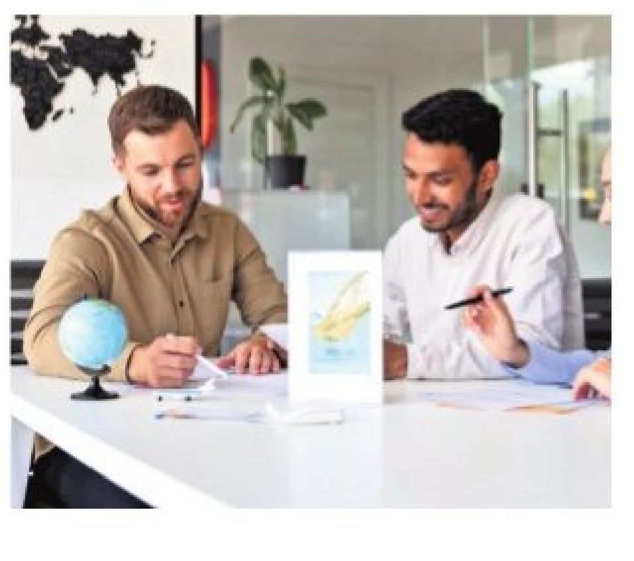
SOUTH KOREA

JAN INFLATION DROPS TO 2%, LOWEST IN 5 MONTHS

The January consumer price index rose by 2%, the lowest in five months. Due to falling global oil prices, the rise in petroleum product prices halted for the first time in five months, and the slowdown in the increase of agricultural, livestock, and fishery product prices resulted in a 2% increase, aligning with the Bank of Korea's inflation stabilization target. However, processed foods such as gochujang, chocolate, and ramen saw a 2.8% increase, marking the largest rise in five months. Ahead of the Lunar New Year holiday, rice prices continued to surge, leading to the largest increase in tteok, a holiday staple, in three years. Prices of mackerel and imported beef are also soaring due to the effects of high exchange rates. According to the 'January Consumer Price Trends' released by the Ministry of Data and Statistics on the 3rd, the January consumer price index rose by 2% compared to the same month last year.

IT firms, GCCs regain confidence as US cos resume investment plans

PADMINI DHRUVARAJ @ Bengaluru



THE US-India trade deal has eased concerns around outsourcing, helping Indian IT firms and global capability centres (GCC) regain confidence as US companies resume long-term technology and investment plans.

From an India-specific perspective, the deal has helped ease uncertainty in the $283 billion IT industry. The latest announcement has brought clarity to boardrooms assessing long-term outsourcing and global delivery strategies.

The easing of trade-related concerns is also expected to benefit GCCs. Several US companies with existing centres in India, as well as those considering new ones, had adopted a wait-and-watch approach amid trade friction. With the announcement, stalled plans are likely to move forward, supporting higher-value digital, engineering and technology work from India.

Gaurav Vasu, founder and CEO of UnearthInsight, said the deal provides much-needed clarity for the sector. "The trade deal brings clarity for Indian IT services and GCCs, easing concerns around potential outsourcing restrictions. More than immediate relief, it restores confidence in cross-border technology collaboration and long-term investment planning."

He added that renewed stability comes at a critical time for global enterprises. "This stability is critical at a time when enterprises are reassessing global delivery models and scaling high-value digital and engineering work from India."

Beyond technology services, the trade deal also includes a move to reduce punitive tariffs on Indian exports to the US and lays the groundwork for a broader Bilateral Trade Agreement. The reduction in tariffs is expected to support labour-intensive sectors such as textiles, handicrafts, leather and footwear, and gems and jewellery, alongside policy measures announced in India's Budget 2026.

Naveen Aggarwal, Office Managing Partner – Delhi NCR and US-India Corridor Leader at KPMG in India, said the announcement could have long-term economic implications. "The announcement to reduce punitive tariffs on Indian exports to the United States, along with the anticipated Bilateral Trade Agreement, represents a pivotal development with the potential to significantly accelerate India's 2047 ambitions."

EXPRESS READ

SC sets aside NCLAT order against Flipkart

NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court on Tuesday set aside a 2020 order of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) directing the director general of the Competition Commission of India to probe alleged violations of competition law by Flipkart. —*ENS*

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Muthoot FinCorp to raise ₹600 cr via NCDs

NEW DELHI: Muthoot FinCorp, flagship company of Muthoot Pappachan Group, has announced the launch of the NCD Tranche I of secured and redeemable non-convertible debentures (NCDs) , scheduled for issuance on February 3, 2026. It aims to raise up to ₹600 crore. —*ENS*

Silver, gold rally after 3-day slump on weak dollar

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SILVER and gold prices ended a three-day steep fall and rebounded sharply in the national capital on Tuesday, with the white metal surging ₹24,000 to ₹2.84 lakh per kg, while gold climbed to ₹1.57 lakh per 10 grams amid firm global cues and weak US dollar.

According to the All India Sarafa Association, silver prices soared ₹24,000, or 9.23%, to ₹2,84,000 per kilogram (inclusive of all taxes). The metal had closed at ₹2,60,000 per kg on Monday after slumping ₹52,000.

The rebound followed a steep three-day fall in which silver prices plummeted Rs 1,44,500, or nearly 36% from ₹4,04,500 per kg, its all-time high, recorded on January 29.

Gold of 99.9% purity also recovered, rising ₹5,000, or 3.3% , to ₹1,57,700 per 10 grams from Monday's closing level of ₹1,52,700 per 10 grams, as per the association.

The yellow precious metal had fallen ₹30,300, or nearly 17%, from its record high of ₹1,83,000 per 10 grams on January 29. Gold recouped part of its recent losses on Tuesday after a sharp unwinding of a record-setting rally that had pushed prices down to a four-week low. Silver also moved higher, supported by bargain hunting following two days of sharp sell-offs," said Saumil Gandhi, senior analyst, Commodities at HDFC Securities.

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Bid Identification No.S.E.E.C (R&B) 29/2025-26

No.34001/14/2526

No 337 / Date 02.02.2026

The Superintending Engineer, Electrical Circle (R&B) Odisha, Bhubaneswar on behalf of the Governor of Odisha invites percentage rate bids for E.I. works which are to be received through online bidding, double cover system as detailed in :https://tendersorissa.gov.in. The details of bid documents will be available in the above website from dt.06.02.2026 at 05.00 P.M. to dt.20.02.2026 up to 05.00 P.M. The bidders must possess compatible Digital Signature Certificate of Class II or III. Bids received online shall be opened dt.21.02.2026 at 11.30 A.M. in the Office of the Superintending Engineer. Electrical Circle (R&B) Odisha, Bhubaneswar. Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal www.tendersorissa.gov.in.

Addendum / Corrigendum, if required, will be available only in the Website.

Sd/- Superintending Engineer,
Electrical Circle (R&B) Odisha, BBSR

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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is informed to the General public that, I, Umesh. B.R son of Late V. Ramappa, aged about 57 years, residing at No.789, 12th B Cross, 23rd Main Road, J.P.Nagar 2nd Phase, Bengaluru – 560 078, represented that, I have lost the original Will dated 10.01.2014, executed by my father, registered as document No.JAY-3-00361-2013-14 during transit near my residence at J.P. Nagar.

In this connection I have lodged a police complaint to J.P. Nagar Police, which came to be numbered as No.2039534/2026, dated 02-02-2026. Hence, if anybody finds the said original document, please inform to the below mentioned address.

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chambers, D.V.G. Road, Basavanagudi,
Bangalore-04.
Mob: 9845059973 / 9845245676

PUBLIC NOTICE

The notice is hereby given to public that our client Sri.D.M.Maheshwarappa has lost original registered sale deed bearing doc.no.7161/2019-20 SRO Nagarbhavi. It is hereby informed to the public that in case any of them finds the same can contact on the below mentioned address or phone number.

SCHEDULE :

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.8, Assessment no.8/14, Old Khahta no.2112,then BBMP Khatha no.1640, present BBMP E-PID No.3663632091,Situated at Gidadakonenahalli Village, Yashawanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk,Presently within the limits of BBMP Ward No.72, measuring 23x40 ft, and bounded the East by: Site No.9, West by: Site No.7, North by: Remaining portion of Sy.No.8/14, South by: 30 Feet Road.

V.L. Associates
Advocates
No.56, Out house, 19th Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010.
Ph: 9481900851/9743323668.
Place: Bangalore Date: 03.02.2026

VISVESVARAYA TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY

"Jnana Sangama", Belagavi - 590 018, Karnataka State.

No.: V.T.U./BGM/S.A.P./CW1/38/T-738/2025-26/5751 Date: 03-02-2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Registrar, VTU, Belagavi, invites (Two Cover Systems) E-tenders for the following Work through E-procurement tendering mode. Name of Work : **Tender for Printing and Supply of Internal Assessment Books to VTU Post Graduate Centres at Belagavi, Muddenahalli, Kalaburgi, Mysuru, Chinatamani and Talkal. Amount put to Tender : Rs. 25,00,000/-. EMD : Rs. 50,000/-. Last Date for receipt of Tender : 17-02-2026 upto 2.30 p.m. Date of Opening of Tender : 18-02-2026 at 4.00 p.m.** The details regarding participation in the E-tendering can be accessed by logging to our **VTU Website : www.vtu.ac.in** and KPPP Portal **Website : www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Registrar.
V.T.U., Belagavi,

DIPR/Belagavi/1755/Manipal/2025-26

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public are hereby informed that the schedule property is on sale from its lawful owner **Smt. M. Ayesha Irshad Ahamed** W/o Sri. M. Irshad Ahamed of Sathnur , who claims to have purchased the same under the Sale Deed dated 02.11.2015 from (i) Smt. Jayamma (ii) Smt. Anjinamma, (iii) Smt. Bhagyamma Rep. by their GPA Holder Smt.Sunandamma and Smt.Sumithramma (iv) Smt.Sunandamma, (v) Smt.Sumithramma all are daughters of Late Krishanappa of Kodagalahatti Village, Hunasamaranahalli Post, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk as the Vendors and Sri.D.Murali & Sri.Deepak S. C. Chandrashekar as the Consenting Witnesses. Said Sale Deed has been registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Gandhinagara (Jala), Bangalore, as Document No.JAL-1-02146/2015-16, Book No.1, stored in CD No.JALD212, dated 02.11.2015.

Under these circumstances, the general public are hereby informed/requested that any person having any claims, rights, title, interest, objections of whatsoever either towards schedule property or its transaction, then they can file their objections along with all necessary documents to the under mentioned within 10 days from the date of this notice. Failing which, it is deemed that there is no objection of whatsoever from anyone in dealing with the property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential vacant Site bearing No.25, Hunasamaranahalli Town Municipal PID No.4910645258, Khatha No.42/25, New No.2388/42/25, carved out of land bearing Sy.No.42 of Hunasamaranahalli Village, measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 35.5' + 36.25'/2 feet, in all 1435 Sq. feet (133.315805 Sq. meters), situated at SVS HOMES, Hunasamaranahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, Bangalore – 560 063 and bounded on:

East by : Road,
West by : Site bearing No.36,
North by : Road,
South by : Site bearing No.26.

Sri.A.Vishwanatha, Advocate
Koorlappa Complex, Maruthinagara,
Kogilu Main Road, Yelahanaka,
Bangalore-560 064. Mob: 9880295744.

Bangalore
Date: 31.01.2026.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)

ASSET RECOVERY MANAGEMENT(ARM) II BRANCH

2nd Floor, Circle Office, Spencer Towers, No.86, M G Road, Bengaluru-560001 Email: cb6298@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assests and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provisio to Rule 8 (6) of Security Intrest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the secured creditors the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore,** will be sold on **24.02.2026, 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. [with unlimited extension of 5 minutes duration each till the conclusion of sale], "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowes. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Neme of Borrowers and Guarantors	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice		Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Date & Time	Incremetal Value at Bid
1) Ms. Aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt. Ltd., No. 1/4, Unit No F-2, 2nd Floor, 10th Cross, 4th Main Road, MC Layout, Bengaluru-560040. **Also at : Ms. Aishwaryagiri Constructions Pvt. Ltd.,** No. 236, EWS, 2nd Stage, 2nd Main, 5th Cross, KHB Colony, Basaveshwarnagar, Bangalore-560079. **2) G. Jayaramaiah** S/o. Giriyappa, No. 236, 5th Cross, 2nd Stage 2nd Main, K.H.B. Colony, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560079. **3) Mr. Shivakumar** S/o. Giriyappa, No. 236, 5th Cross, 2nd Stage 2nd Main, K.H.B. Colony, Basaveswara Nagar, Bengaluru-560079. **Also at : Mr. Shivakumar** S/o. Giriyappa, No. 147, 4th Cross, Jothinagar, Chandra Layout, Bangalore-560072.	**Rs. 42,02,89,185.08** (Rupees Forty Two Crore Two Lakhs Eighty Nine Thousand One Hundred Eighty Five and Eight Paisa only) as on 01.02.2026 plus further interest thereon.	****Vacant site nos 191,199,200-202,243,255,286,290,291,292,293,295-304, (Total 22 sites) located at Sunnagatta Kasaba Hobli, Neelasandra, Channapatna Taluk, Ramanagar Dist.**	**24.02.2026 from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.**	**Reserve Price :** Rs. 8,97,69,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 89,76,900/-	Multiples of Rs. 25,000/- The EMD shoudl be deposited on or before **23.02.2026** **Encumbrance(s) : Not known to Bank**
		(1) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 191, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/191 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.190, South by: Site No.192.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(2) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 199, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/199 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.198, South by: Site No. 200.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(3) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 200, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/200 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.199, South by: Site No. 201.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(4) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 201, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/201 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 60 ft and bounded as follows: East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.200, South by: 20 ft. Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 64,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 6,40,000/-	
		(5) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 202, Kaneshumari No.304/202 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 27 ft and North South 60 ft and bounded as follows : East by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, West by : Road, North by: Site No.203, South by: Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 28,58,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 2,85,800/-	
		(6) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 243, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/243 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 40 ft and North South 30 ft and bounded as follows: East by : Site No. 242, West by : 20 ft. Road, North by: Site No.204, South by: Remaining portion of property.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 21,17,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 2,11,700/-	
		(7) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 255, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/255 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows : East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra and Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.254, South by: Site No. 256.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(8) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 286, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari No.305/286 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 24 ft and North South (52+55)/2 ft and bounded as follows : East by : Site No. 22, West by : Site no.287, North by: Property of Jayaramu and sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 22,65,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 2,26,500/-	
		(9) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 290, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari No.305/290 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 41 ½ ft and North South 57, towards west 60 ft (41 ½ *(57+60)/2) and bounded as follows : East by : Site No. 289, West by : Site no.291, North by: Property of Jayaramu and sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(10) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.291, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/291 situated at Sunnaghatta village,NeelaSandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatna Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by : Site no 290, West by: Site no 292, North by : Sites of Tahsildar Office, South by : Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(11) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.292, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/292 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 291, West by: Site no 293, North by: Property of Jayaramu and Sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(12) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.293, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/293 situated at unnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 292, West by: Site no 294, North by: Property of Jayaramu and Sites Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(13) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.295, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/295 at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 294, West by: Site no 296, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(14) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.296, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/296 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 295, West by: Site no 297,North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(15) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.297, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/297 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 296, West by: Site no 298, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(16) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.298, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/298 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 297, West by: Site no 299, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(17) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.299, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/299 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 298, West by: Site no 300, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(18) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no. 300, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/300 at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 299, West by: Site no 301, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(19) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.301, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/301 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 300, West by: Site no 302, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(20) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.302, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/302 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 301, West by: Site no 303, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(21) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.303, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/303 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Site no 302, West by: Property of Sheshanna, Gangadhar, North by: Property of Jayaramu, South by: Road.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 43,00,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 4,30,000/-	
		(22) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.304, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/304 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring east to West 28 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows : East by: Private Property, West by: Site no 305, North by: Road, South by: Property of Puttaswamy.		**Reserve Price :** Rs. 30,29,000/- **EMD :** Rs. 3,02,900/-	

Other terms and Conditions :

a. Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings.
b. The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer.
c. The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process.
d. EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s. PSB Alliance Private Limited (BAANKNET)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan.
e. After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or **before 23.02.2026,** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. i) Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. ii) Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. iii) Bid Form.
intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/** and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, **M/s. PSB Alliance (BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.baanknet@psballiance.com,**
EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest.
f. Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs. 25,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (above the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor.
g. The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, **A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298.**
h. For sale proceeds of **Rs. 50.00 Lacs** (Rupees Fifty Lacs only) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable rate on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank.
i. All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges tax arrears, other charges, dues etc., As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only.
j. Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof.
k. In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach concerned Circle office or Canara Bank ARM II, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements.
l. Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank.
m. After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.
For further details contact Authorised Officer, Canara Bank , ARM Branch-2- (9113092975, 8921102717, 9993777728, 9483544116, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) during office hours on any working day) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s. PSB Alliance(BAANKNET) - e- mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

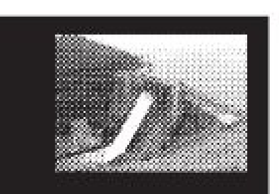
Special Instruction/Caution

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 03.02.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED



CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited through **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** for the following works:

SHIVA HYDRO ELECTRIC STATION

(1) No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3776/CALL-2, Dtd: 02.02.2026. **Design, Manufacture, Supply, retrofitting, testing at site and commissioning of 11KV, 1250A SF6 breakers with VCB Breakers for 4 No. of GT Bank and 1 No. of spare at 66KV switchyard of Shiva HES. EMD: Rs. 1,06,459/-.** Work completion period: **20 Weeks.** (2) No. KPCL/2025-26/PS/WORK_INDENT3765/CALL-3, Dtd: 28.01.2026. **Design, Manufacture, Supply, testing & commissioning of 7.0M Height Aluminium Scaffolding Ladder suitable for 45T Capacity Motorised EOT Crane Icoated in Generator Floor at Shiva HES. EMD: Rs. 5,161/-.** Work completion period: **60 days from the date of handing over of site.** Last date for submission of tenders: Sl.No. (1) **17.02.2026 up to 16.30 Hrs &** for Sl.No. (2) **19.02.2026 up to 16.00 Hrs.** Further information can be had from **Executive Engineer(EM&O) Shiva,** KPCL, Shivasamudram, Malavalli Taluk, Mandya District, Mob: 9141619315.

SHARAVATHY HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

(1) No. KPCL/2025-26/IND2357, Dt: 24.01.2026. **Supply of 160 nos. of Telephone push button type and 200 nos. of PB telephone junction box required for SVPPH. EMD: Rs. 2,686/-.** (2) No. KPCL/2025-26/IND2358, Dt: 28.01.2026. **Supply of Stationery items required for various division/offices of SVPPH. EMD: Rs. 23,226/-.** (3) No. KPCL/2025-26/IND2360, Dt: 28.01.2026. **Supply of Ceiling Fans, various types of switches, LED lights etc., required for SVPPH. EMD: Rs. 19,456/-.** (4) No. KPCL/2025-26/IND2361, Dt: 29.01.2026. **Supply of Medicines required for Hospitals of SVPPH. EMD: Rs. 7,307/-.** (5) No. KPCL/2025-26/IND2362, Dt: 29.01.2026. **Supply of various Medical Apparatus and Equipments etc., required for Hospitals of SVPPH. EMD: Rs. 3,236/-.** Last date for receipt of tender for: Sl.No. (1) **09.02.2026 up to 16.30 Hrs.** & for Sl.No. (2) to (5): **13.02.2025 up to 16.30 Hrs.** Further information can be had from **Executive Engineer (MSP) J,** KPCL, Jogfalls-577435, Dist.: Shivamogga, M: 9449598847, e-mail: **eemspj@gmail.com.**

VARAHI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

KPCL/2025-26/IND2356, dtd: 27.01.2026. **Supply of Electronics items to VHEP. EMD: Rs. 18,174/-.** Last date for receipt of tender: **11.02.2026 up to 15.00 Hrs**. Further information can be had from **Executive Engineer(MSP)H,** VHEP, KPCL, Hosangadi-576282, Kundapura (T), Udupi (D), Karnataka, **M: 9448182618.**

GERUSOPPA HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

KPCL/2025-26/EL/WORK_INDENT3552/CALL-3, Date: 28.01.2026. **Annual maintenance of split Air Conditioning units installed at office complex, Hospital, Inspection Bunglow, Server Room, Mobile Booster Room, Telephone exchange at office complex and Power House at Gerusoppa Project for a period of one year and extendable for one more year based on performance of agency. EMD: Rs. 4,260/-.** Last date for submission of tender: **11.02.2026 up to 16.00 Hrs.** Further information can be had from **Executive Engineer (O&M) GP,** KPCL, Gerusoppa-581384, Honnavara Tq., Uttara Kannada Dist., M:9141610217, e-mail: eee1gp.kpcl@gmail.com, eeemogpkpcl@karnataka.gov.in

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AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (South Zonal Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.

Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708.
Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Public Notice For Sale/auction of Immovable Property {Under SARFAESI Act read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **20.02.2026** for recovery of **Rs.15,25,979/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Nine Only) being the amount due as on 01.01.2026** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **(1) Mr. Chidambaram Krishnamurthy Sathyanarayanan,** No.307, MIG New Temple Land HUDCO Hosur, Hosur-635109 Tamilnadu. **Also At: Mr. Chidambaram Krishnamurthy Sathyanarayanan Ankit Fasterners Pvt Ltd,** No.297, Haragadde Village, Road No.4 Jigani Industrial Layout 1, Bangalore-560105. **Also At: Mr. Chidambaram Krishnamurthy Sathyanarayanan,** Sy Dos 39/1, Flat No.A 105 Janadhar Shubha, Tower 8, 1 Floor Medehalli, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560105. **(2) Mrs S. Rama,** No 307, MIG New Temple Land HUDCO Hosur, Hosur-635109 Tamilnadu. **Loan Account Ref No. 8362** Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details: -

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**NIL**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs.8,15,100/-(Rupees Eight Lakhs Fifteen Thousand One Hundred Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.81,510/- (Rupees Eighty One Thousand Five Hundred and Ten Only)** through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore.
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 19.02.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore–560 027, Addressed to Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public Auction	**On 20.02.2026 between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above.**

DETAILS OF MORTGAGED PROPERTIES :

SCHEDULE "A" DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted lands totally measuring about 11 acres and 18 guntas including the Kharab land in Survey nos. 39/1, 39/2, 40/3, and 42/1 all situated at M. Medehalli, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore, and bounded on the : East by : Lands in Survey No. 43, West by : Roads, North by: Mayasandra Gadi, South by : Lands in Survey No. 41.

SCHEDULE "B" PROPERTY TO BE CONVEYED: The undivided share, right, title and interest in Schedule "A" property mentioned above works out to 195 Square Feet.

SCHEDULE "C" APARTMENT: Residential apartment bearing no. A-105, Khata no. 531, Assessment No. T-8-A-105, First floor of Tower -8, consists of One Hall, One Bed Room, Kitchen, Bath Room, and a balcony, in the residential apartment complex known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA" constructed on the schedule "A" property, having a super built up area of 418 Sq Ft with vitrified flooring and the proportionate share in the common area, such as , passage/s, stair/s, duct/s, room/s, water, drainage and/or electrical conduit/s and/or other area/s used in common with the Purchaser/s of other Apartment/s and is bounded on; East by: B-106, West by: Open Space
North by: Tower No. 9, South by: Corridor.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath & Mr.Karthick.R at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **(Mobile No.9886960484 & +91-9080589635, Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/ Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 02.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

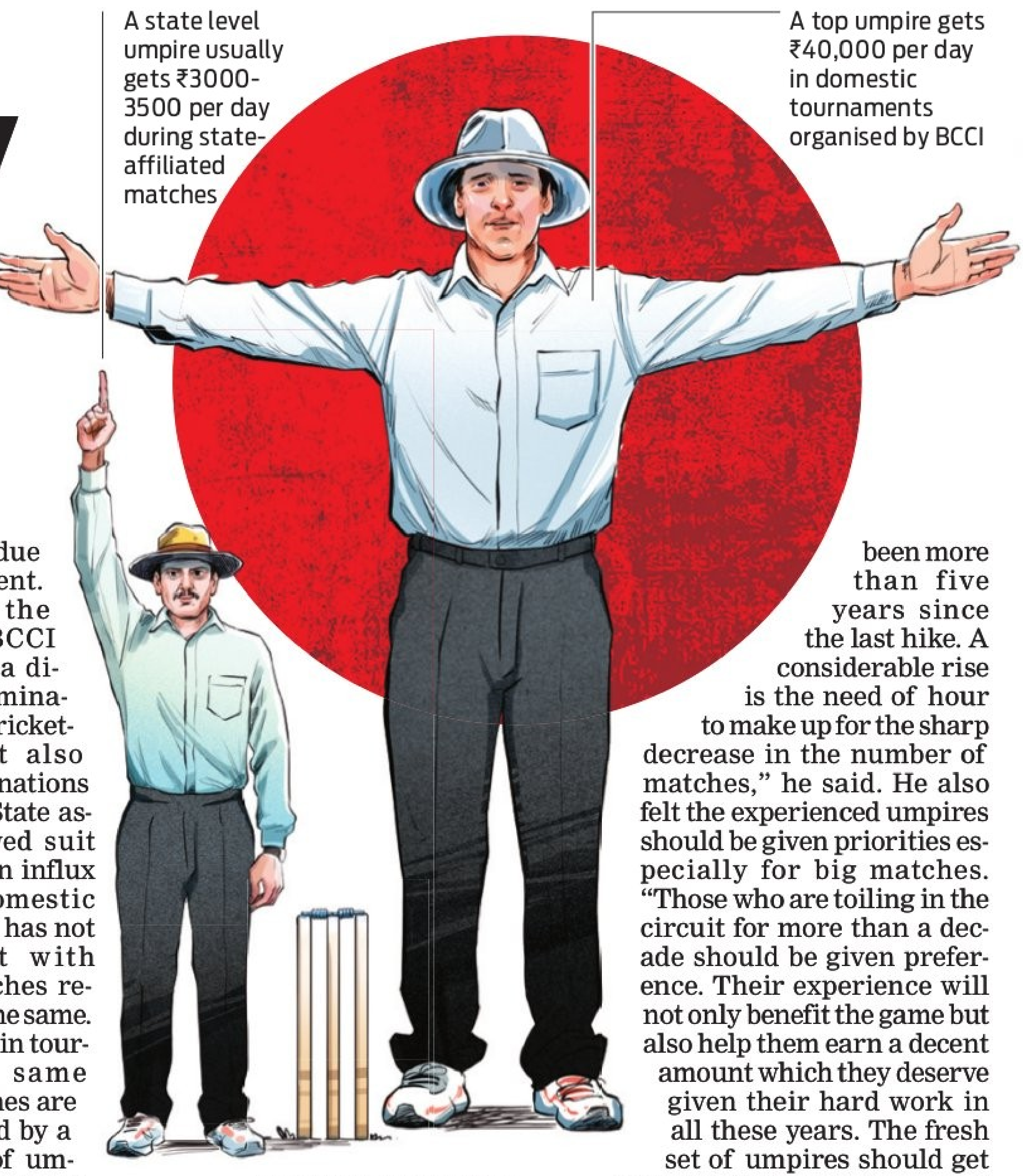
Sd/- Authorised Officer
AXIS BANK LTD.,

Third stage of T20 WC ticket sales begin

The BCCI announced the commencement of the third stage of ticket sales for the upcoming T20 World Cup following the two successful ticketing windows, with Phase 1 launched on December 11, 2025, and Phase 2 on January 14, 2026. As the event draws closer, the BCCI continues to focus on venue readiness, operational planning, and match-day experience.

WELL PAID UMPIRES. NOT REALLY

Influx of umpires with no proportionate rise in number of matches has caused a serious dent in earnings of these officials with those officiating in the state-level matches the worst hit. **Firoz Mirza** explores...


A state level umpire usually gets ₹3000-3500 per day during state-affiliated matches

A top umpire gets ₹40,000 per day in domestic tournaments organised by BCCI

Illustration: Mandar Pardikar

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP INDIA & SRI LANKA 2026 #Invisiblehands

UMPIRE Sudhir Rao (name changed) has to take a pay cut for a day from his regular employer to allow him an opportunity to officiate in an inter-district match. Since the game was his passion, he always wanted to be a cricketer but ended up being an umpire. Some kind of a consolation for not pursuing cricket as a career. Becoming an official helped him stay connected with the game.

Cut to match day. Rao stood there for almost seven hours officiating in the match and got ₹3000. The amount seems decent as it takes his monthly income to around ₹90,000 (for a 30-day month). But here's the catch. Most of these umpires, who work for their respective state associations, do not get matches even for 100 days in a year. A few state association umpires on an average get 35-40 days of work annually which takes their earnings to about ₹1,20,000. Don't forget to deduct the salary cut they have to take from their employers.

3 DAYS TO GO

Lucrative from outside

Of late, a lot of cricketers have forayed into umpiring making it a viable career option especially for those, who who cannot fulfil their dreams of playing at the highest level. To some extent, the Indian cricket board (BCCI) also paved the way for these former cricketers to switch professions by introducing criteria favouring them. The trend looks lucrative but the ground realities are different. Only a handful of these umpires are able to earn a handsome salary through umpiring but most of them are forced to work elsewhere to make ends meet. Earlier, things were a bit different. A few matches for state helped them get a government job. Working for the government — be it the central or state — made part-time umpiring job much more viable even if the match fee per day was pittance (between ₹200 to 500 per day). However, in today's time, it is difficult to survive solely on umpiring even if the match fee has grown up. "Most of us, who took umpiring, had government jobs so it was easy. We were umpiring out of passion not for money. It was a way for us to stay in touch with the game. We always have a fallback option and a secured future with pension guaranteed after retirement. Same is not the case now as government jobs are hardly available," a former state-level umpire, who recently retired from his government job, told this daily.

It's not that umpires do not get pension but the bracket hardly covers those who genuinely need the cushion. Only umpires, who have officiated in the international matches before 2006, are eligible for the pension which ranges between 45,000 to 30,000 per month.

Surplus problem

Five years ago, the BCCI raised the retirement age of the umpires from 55 to 60. A year later, the board revised it to 65 subject to umpires' physical fitness. A reason behind the move was sudden dearth of experienced umpires due to mass retirement. Having faced the problem, the BCCI then conducted a direct Level 2 examination for former cricketers in 2023. It also conducted examinations two years later. State association followed suit thus leading to an influx of umpires. Domestic cricket, however, has not changed a lot with number of matches remaining almost the same. With no increase in tournaments, the same number of matches are now being shared by a rather big pool of umpires, thereby reducing revenue share.

"India currently has around 170-180 umpires. The matches remain the same. This has reduced per umpire income drastically," said a national-level umpire. Adding further he said, "Earlier we used to get around 60 days during the domestic season, now it has reduced to 35. Almost 50 per cent cut. There are other factors that affect umpires. Concept of neutrality is one of them. If a state side from where an umpire hails has made it to the knockout stage then that umpire cannot feature in the future matches involving that team. The same principle applies internationally as well."

A few associations like Tamil Nadu Cricket Association (TNCA) try to give more matches to those who are unemployed but even that is not enough. "Usually, an umpire gets around 20 matches but the TNCA makes sure the unemployed ones get around 100-120 games in a season. They also get matches in their respective districts. But that is hardly enough as even that takes their annual income to between ₹3.5 lakh to ₹4 lakh," one of the TN umpires said. Such umpires usually become an LIC agent or pursue some other jobs.

"The umpires go unnoticed and it's a thankless job. Even if he has done well in 599 balls, he will be spoken for that one ball and one bad call. They have to toil in the field for years to earn the respect of players. Most of them cannot graduate to the next level as there is less opportunity to become a BCCI level umpire. With the board preferring former players these days, they climb up the ladder easily. There is no such provision for experienced state level umpires."

Pay hike, ranking in domestic

Another national umpire said the pay hike is the need of the hour for the those officiating in the domestic tournaments. "It's been more than five years since the last hike. A considerable rise is the need of hour to make up for the sharp decrease in the number of matches," he said. He also felt the experienced umpires should be given priorities especially for big matches. "Those who are toiling in the circuit for more than a decade should be given preference. Their experience will not only benefit the game but also help them earn a decent amount which they deserve given their hard work in all these years. The fresh set of umpires should get the match but not at the cost of the experienced ones."

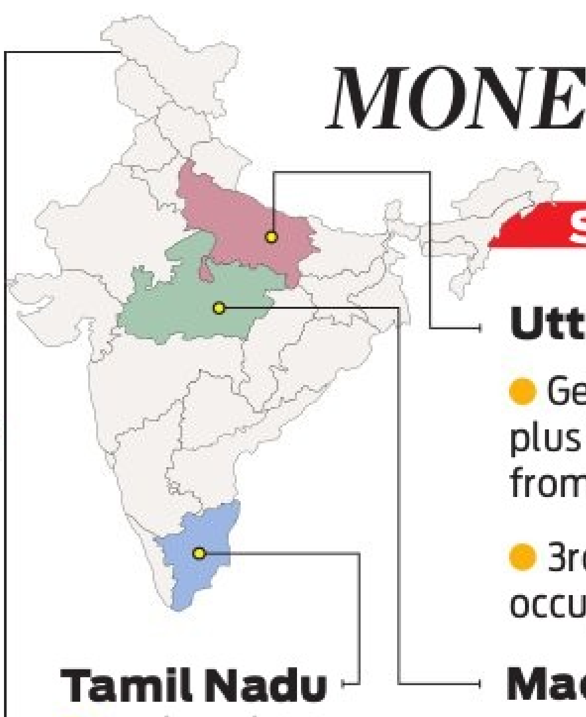
Another issue raised by one of the umpires is non-disclosure of rankings of domestic umpires in the last two-three years. "The rankings make the whole process transparent. It not only helps the umpires know where they stand but also ensures the deserving candidates get their share of matches," said the umpire.

IPL, WPL a boon

The Indian Premier League gave these umpires a new lease of life as it led to a sharp hike in match fees. The Women's Premier League added a new dimension to it. "The T20 format came in 2005 and gained traction after the first edition of the T20 World Cup two years later. But the match fee remained ₹7500 per day along with DA of between ₹750-1000 till the IPL. It was the IPL that changed things for the good. The match fees was first hiked to ₹15000 and later made ₹20000.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

MONETARY BENEFITS



STATE LEVEL UMPIRES

Uttar Pradesh

- Gets **₹3000** per day (**₹2500** match fee plus **₹500** DA). Hiked a few years ago from **₹500**
- 3rd AC travel, hotel stay double occupancy and local conveyance

Tamil Nadu

- Buchi Babu **₹3000**/day, 1st Division **₹2750**/day, 2nd and 3rd Division **₹2400**/day, 4th and 5th Division **₹2200**/day, 30-over match of 6th Division **₹1500**/day, T20 **₹1200**/day

Madhya Pradesh

- Gets **₹3,500**/day plus DA (**₹2000**/day for tier A cities and **₹1500**/day for tier B cities). It was **₹1500**/day and increased a few years ago
- Other benefits like 2nd AC travel, travelling allowance (**₹300** upto 12-hour journey and subsequent addition of **₹300** for every 12-hour journey that follows), accommodation and local conveyance

BCCI UMPIRES

Domestic

- Top umpires get **₹40,000**/day and **₹20,000** for T20
- Others get **₹30,000**/day and **₹15,000** for T20 (Same fees for more than five years)

International

- ODI and T20I **₹1,80,000** per match. BCCI pays it (Same fee for the more than a decade)
- ICC pays **8000 dollars** per Test match (**₹7.27 L** as per latest conversion rate)
- Umpires' match fee for international matches have remained same since 2006

FOR ICC EVENTS LIKE WORLD CUPS

ICC gives tournament fees to umpires

Around 40,000 **dollars** before knockouts (recent figures, after conversion ₹36.27 lakh)

Around 4000 **dollars** per match for semifinals and final

How many umpires ICC has

4 from each country in international panel of umpires

12 **Elite Panel Umpires**

HUSSEY'S TAKE

CHENNAI: Apart from India, Australia are one of the contenders to win the T20 World Cup. They have an all-round team that has good experience in white-ball cricket. The Aussies have lost a bit of experience heading into this latest edition with the retirement of David Warner, Matthew Wade, Mitchell Starc and Ashton Agar. But former Australia batter Mike Hussey believes that Australia are still a strong side. "Should be a great tournament. There is huge interest in the game in the sub-continent — India and Sri Lanka, so I believe that the World Cup will be exciting," said Hussey in an exclusive chat with Express. **Full story by Ashok Venugopal, visit: newindianexpress.com**

LANKA AND AUSSIES LEADING TEAMS

A LOOK AT THE TEAMS IN GROUP B, WHO WILL PLAY ALL THEIR GAMES IN SRI LANKA, A LOOK...

SRI LANKA

Sri Lanka are expected to qualify from the group stage thanks to their better understanding of conditions. However, they are entering the event after series loss against England. Before that, they played Pakistan, winning and losing one match each.

- **Best result:** Winners (2014).

AUSTRALIA

The Aussies are expected to get into the Super 8s. Their visit to Pakistan to prepare for the World Cup resulted in twin losses before Sunday's match. Pat Cummins, who was initially named in the squad, is ruled out due to injury.

- **Best result:** Winners (2021).

ZIMBABWE

All hopes lie on captain and all-rounder Sikandar Raza, who is coming fresh off a memorable SA20 tournament. Apart from having better match-ups against Ireland and Oman, Zimbabwe could potentially cause an upset when they take on SL.

- **Best result:** Super 12 (2022).

IRELAND

Paul Stirling will be leading his nation in this event for the ninth time. Ireland travelled to Bangladesh in December last year, and continued to prepare for the tournament by playing matches in UAE – where they beat Italy and UAE twice there.

- **Best result:** Super 8s (2009).

OMAN

The only thing favouring Oman is the similarity of conditions when they play in Sri Lanka. A fight against either Ireland or Zimbabwe may help them, but teams like Australia & Sri Lanka may be too good for them. They will be making their fourth appearance.

- **Best result :** Group stage (2024).

SAI still struggling to get coaches

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

INDIA are hosting the Commonwealth Games in 2030 and are hoping to successfully bid for the Olympics in 2036, but when it comes to its sporting ecosystem, it seems to be an area of concern. Dearth of coaches has been afflicting the Sports Authority of India (SAI) for quite some time and instead of getting better it is getting worse.

The SAI has been on an expanding spree building new National Centres of Excellence but there have been disciplines that lack good coaches. The latest figures seems to even more alarming. According to a Lok Sabha reply during the 2026 budget session, the numbers have declined further. The total number on July 23 last year was 860 across all levels and that number decreased to 788. That means in the last six months despite SAI's best efforts, vacancies could not be filled. According to the latest figures, there is at least 48 per cent shortage of coaches in the entire set-up. The per cent in July last year was 45.

What makes it even more troubling is that SAI is country's flagship department under the sports ministry to promote sports excellence in the country. It also helps National Sports Federations (NSFs) with their annual planning and budget that includes training and exposure.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

NEPAL BEAT UAE

Players from Nepal celebrate a wicket against UAE during their T20 World Cup warm-up tie in Chennai on Tuesday. Nepal won by seven wickets | ASHWIN PRASATH

Players with different roots set for Italian job

GOMESH S @Chennai

ON a breezy Monday evening, the Italian cricket team quietly went about their business at the MA Chidambaram Stadium here. They had taken the field in the first warm-up against Canada and walked away with a 10-run win. A result that will give The Azzurri big boost as they gear up for their debut show at the biggest stage. Italy, known for their football heritage, will embark on a new journey when they take the field against Scotland in their opening game of the T20 World Cup at Eden Gardens on February 9.

The road to this point has been long and arduous. They came close to qualifying for the 2024 edition before finally making the cut two years later. They have several players from Australia whose ancestors left Italy during the war in the 20th century and in the decades that followed, like the Manenti brothers (Ben and Harry) or the Mosca brothers (Anthony and Justin).

Similarly, there are players from South Africa (JJ Smuts and captain Wayne Madsen) and England as well who have their family roots in Italy. There is Jaspreet Singh, who moved from Punjab to Italy. Zain Ali's father, a doctor, moved from Pakistan to the country. Ali is now a mechanical engineer who plays cricket. At 15, Crishan Kalugamage moved from Sri Lanka to Lucca, a town in central Italy. Then there are coaches like Peter di Venuto (Italian-Australian), former Ireland batter Kevin O'Brien who have come together for an unified dream

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Lundup set to approach HC

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

THE second member of the Winter Olympic Games, Stanzin Lundup, who was supposed to be in Milano Cortina is stranded in New Delhi after the Delhi High Court judgement (highlighted by this newspaper) barred his competing. However, the other members including alpine skiier Arif Mohammed Khan have already reached the venue — Bormio and will be the flag bearer at the Opening Ceremony. Since Milano-Cortina decided to have four opening ceremonies at different venues, Lundup too was supposed to hold the flag. But because of the court order that saw discrepancy in selection of Lundup, he was barred.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

MAJOR REVISION IN LAWS OF CRICKET

AS MANY AS 73 CHANGES HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED BY THE MCC WHICH WILL COME TO EFFECT FROM OCTOBER. A LOOK...

Boundary catch

The MCC said fielders going outside boundary can only touch the ball once while airborne, "and then, having done so, to be wholly grounded within the boundary for the rest of the duration of that delivery." If the fielder parries the ball from outside the boundary to his teammate who is inside it, and subsequently steps outside, then a boundary will be scored. The ball will be considered "finally settled" when it is in the hands of a fielder or stationary on the ground.

Laminated bats

The MCC legalised use of laminated bats for "open age cricket" in a bid to slow the rising costs of bats. The wicket-keepers will no longer be penalised for having their gloves in front of the stumps when the bowler runs up.

Over completion mandatory

The final over in a multi-day match will have to be completed if a wicket has fallen. It was felt unfair that, if a fielding side takes a wicket in the final over of the day, the batting side does not have to send out a new batter.

EXPRESS READ

Oly shooting qualifying meet at Delhi next year

NEW DELHI: India will host next year's Asian rifle/pistol championship in Delhi where eight quota places for the 2028 LA Olympics will be up for grabs. The eight slots in the Asian meet will be in addition to the 12 quota places that will be on offer in the World Cup from April 21 to 30 next year, also to be held in Delhi.

World champion Gukesh to play in Norway Chess

OSLO: Reigning world champion Indian Grandmaster D Gukesh will compete in the Norway Chess tournament here in May, joining a star-studded field which includes World No1 and defending champion Magnus Carlsen. With Gukesh confirming participation, the May 25-June 5 event will be one of the strongest chess meets.

WOMEN'S PREMIER LEAGUE

Bell swings fortunes in RCB direction

CHANDRA PRABHU @Chennai

ROYAL Challengers Bengaluru pacer Lauren Bell has been one of their lynchpins on the road to Thursday's final. She has the most number of dot balls this season (116) and boasts an economy rate of 5.63 in the 32 overs she has bowled. Her average and strike rate? A stupendous 15 and 16, respectively. Her captain Smriti Mandhana had joked on how Bell would get the plants back home, referring to the league's title sponsor's initiative of planting 500 trees for every dot ball.

However, it was Bell's outswinger that caught Mandhana's attention during one of the matches against UP Warriorz.

Known for her "lethal inswinging" ability, Bell explained the work she did to achieve her outswing. After Ashes 2023, she worked with the then England head coach Jon Lewis and bowling coach Matt Mason on her action.

"My action didn't provide the most pace and bounce that I could get out of my physicality. So I just tinkered with my action a bit and tried to get a bit more upright. And in doing so, it led to changing the way I swung the ball," she said. "Hopefully in time, I'll be able to do both (inswing & outswing) again," she added.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Delhi Capitals enter fourth consecutive final

VADODARA: Knocks from Lizelle Lee (43) and skipper Jemimah Rodrigues (41) helped Delhi Capitals march into their fourth consecutive final in as many seasons, as they beat Gujarat Giants by seven wickets on Tuesday. **Brief scores:** GG 168/7 in 20 ovs (Mooney 62 n.o; Henry 3/35) **lost to** DC 169/3 in 15.4 ovs (Lee 43, Rodrigues 41; Wareham 2/28).

CLEVER CACKLES

A photon walks into a hotel. The desk clerk says, "Welcome to our hotel. Can we help you with your luggage?" The photon says, "No thanks, I'm travelling light."

WHEN MOSS IS BOSS IN FIXING CRIME

NIRAD MUDUR

THERE is a popular belief among criminal investigators that a criminal always leaves clues behind. Scientific research now suggests that offenders may also carry those clues with them, sometimes in unexpected forms.

One such form is moss — a small, non-vascular plant that grows in dense mats across a wide range of environments. Moss is increasingly being examined by researchers as a supplementary forensic tool, capable of linking people and locations through trace botanical evidence.

In 2009, employees of the Burr Oaks Cemetery in Chicago, Illinois, were accused of exhuming buried remains and reselling grave plots. Moss samples recovered alongside discarded human remains were examined by researchers at the Field Museum in Chicago and identified as *Fissidens taxifolius*.

By analysing the moss fragments, investigators determined that they had been buried for less than 24 months. This finding contradicted the suspects' claims and helped establish their presence at the crime scene. While the case did not involve homicide or missing persons, it demonstrated how moss evidence could provide independent information that supports or challenges investigative timelines.

Interest in such applications has been renewed following a large scientific review published in *Forensic Sciences Research (2025, Vol. 10, Issue 3)*. The study, titled "Green clues: unveiling the role of bryophytes in forensic science", was conducted by 15 researchers from 11 universities and agencies in the United States. It examines how bryophytes — particularly mosses — may assist forensic investigations, while stressing that their use remains largely experimental.

Bryophytes and forensics

Bryophytes are small, non-flowering plants that lack a vascular system and include mosses, liverworts and hornworts. Although these groups share several features, the study notes that nearly all forensic research to date has focused on mosses alone, which account for around 12,000 to 13,000 species globally.

Researchers point out that moss fragments are easily detached and can adhere to shoes, clothing, tools and vehicles. Once transferred, they may persist in soil, dust or debris collected as evidence. This makes moss potentially useful in establishing associations between individuals and specific locations, particularly when combined with other forensic findings.

Experimental evidence

Several experimental studies support this possibility. In one controlled experiment, researchers examined how well plant material adhered to footwear. After participants spent 24 hours walking through forested terrain followed by four hours on gravel or paved surfaces, moss fragments were still present on 28% of the shoes. A total of 22 moss shoots from five species were recovered, indicating that such material can survive prolonged movement.

Another study explored whether moss DNA remains suitable for analysis after long-term exposure. Fresh samples were stored in paper bags in an outdoor shed in southern Finland for 18 months, during which temperatures ranged from minus 28 degrees Celsius to 25 degrees Celsius. Genetic material extracted from these samples yielded reliable genotyping results, suggesting that DNA-based identification of moss fragments may be feasible even after extended environmental exposure.

The study also notes that mosses display a high tolerance to environmental stress. While they are commonly associated with damp conditions, many species can survive periods of drying and resume growth when moisture returns. This resilience increases the likelihood that fragments recovered from evidence remain identifiable if collected and preserved correctly.

Identification of moss does not necessarily require an intact plant. Taxonomists can often determine species or habitat type from small fragments by examining structural features and, where possible, genetic markers. Molecular tools, including species-specific microsatellite markers, have been used to compare moss recovered during investigations with reference samples collected from known locations, strengthening the evidentiary value of such material.

Limitations

Despite these findings, researchers caution that moss-based forensics is not yet part of routine investigative practice. Identifying small fragments requires specialist training, and many investigators may overlook moss material or fail to recognise its potential relevance. In addition, comprehensive growth data are available for only a small number of moss species, and there is a global shortage of trained bryologists available for forensic consultation.

The study concludes that moss should be viewed as a supplementary source of information rather than standalone evidence. When used carefully and in conjunction with other forensic methods, it may help reconstruct timelines, support location-based links and add botanical context to criminal investigations.

True Detectives in the age of 'digital arrests'

DEEPIKA KOLLURU

A cybercrime victim receives a frantic call from someone claiming to be a CBI officer. Over WhatsApp video, he's shown "proof" of his involvement in money laundering (fake FIRs, fabricated documents). Terrified, he transfers huge amounts while under "digital arrest," monitored round-the-clock on screen sharing. The chats? End-to-end encrypted. Untouchable.

In 2024, the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal recorded 1,23,672 complaints of such scams, with losses reaching ₹1,935.51 crore. In the first two months of 2025, 17,718 cases were reported, as per data presented in Parliament. Cyber criminals operate in shadows cast by end-to-end encryption. Yet arrests follow, syndicates crumble, and money trails freeze. Science, not interception, defines digital forensics. The discipline has evolved from content-centric recovery to one grounded in systems theory, thermodynamics, and information physics.

"We leverage the second law of thermodynamics (entropy increases in closed systems, leaving traces of computation), and Shannon's information theory, where data movement produces side-effects," explains Ankush, a forensic scientist with an ISO-certified forensic lab in Noida. Simply put, encryption hides content, but not the act of communication itself. Power consumption, memory allocation, network packets, even subtle clock mismatches…these leave patterns which are read by forensics teams.

"Encryption intensifies challenges by decentralising key management. In protocols such as Telegram's MTProto or Matrix's Olm/MegOlm, keys are generated and retained on user endpoints, never exposed to central servers. This renders message content opaque, but not the ecosystem," he says.

THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BANGALORE. (CCH29)
O.S. No. 26622/2023

PLAINTIFF:- 1. Thenappan Nachiappan, S/o. T. Nachiappan, Aged about 38 years.
2. Smt. Devi Chidambaram, Aged about 37 years, W/o. Mr. Thenappan Nachiappan, Both are residing at No.3805, Sir Noah Tucker Dr., Round Rock,TEXAS-78681, U.S.A. Represented by their G.P.A. Holder, Smt. K. Unnamalai, Aged about 55 years, W/o. N. Krishnappan, Residing at No.44/1, R.K. Building 24th Main, Agara, H.S.R. Layout, Sector-1, Bangalore 560102. **V/s**
DEFENDANT : Mr. Siddaraju H.S., Aged about 59 years, S/o. Late. Siddaiah, R/at. Door No.988/11, 23rd Main, 4th "T" Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560041.

(Notice to L.R's of Defendant under Order V rule 20 of C.P.C.)

NOTICE TO L.R'S OF DEFENDANT

Smt. GEETHA. Aged about 54 years, W/o.late. Siddaraju H.S., Residing at No.988/11, 23rd Main, 4th "T" Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore -560041.

Whereas the Plaintiff has filed Suit under order VII rule 1 of C.P.C. suit for ejectment. in respect of the suit schedule property against you and hence you are hereby Summoned to attend this Court (CCH:29) on **26-02-2026 at 11.00 AM** to defend the said case and in default of your appearance on the day specified the said suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the property bearing House in Ground Floor No.98/11, 23rd Main, 4th 'T' Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore 560041. Consisting of : One Hall, Two Bedrooms, One Kitchen, One Pooja room, One Dining Hall, One attached bath room and toilet, One common bath room and toilet with RCC Roofing and all civic amenities along with New Geiger. 3 Fan, 1 Exhaust Fan, All room & Hall Fittings with new bulbs.

Given under my hand and the seal of this 31st day of January 2026.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Deputy Registrar
City Civil Court, Bangalore

ADVOCATE FOR PLAINTIFF
N. KRISHNAPPAN, ADVOCATE
NO.44/1, R.K. BUILDING, 24TH MAIN, AGARA, H.S.R. LAYOUT, BANGALORE -560102.

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BEFORE THE HON'BLE PRL SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANGALORE RURAL, AT BENGALURU
GUARDIANS AND WARDS PETITION No. 21/2026

BETWEEN: Mrs. Amrutha. N, W/o Mr. Beerappa, aged about 29 years, Occ: Housewife, Residing at No. 75, Madure Main Road, Kamakshipura Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore Urban District, Bangalore-560 089. Representing her minor daughter: Miss. Gunashree. B, D/o Mr. Beerappa, aged about 10 years ...**PETITIONER**

AND: -NIL- ...RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named have filed the above petition Under Section 29 & 31 Of Guardians And Wards Act, 1890, for obtaining the permission to sell 50 % undivided share in the immovable property belonging to the minor Miss. Gunashree B, described in the Schedule appended hereto, in favour of the proposed purchaser or any other purchaser approved by Hon'ble Court.

Interested parties are hereby warned to appear in this court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on **02/03/2026** at **11:00 AM** and to contest if any failing where-in, the matter will be decided on merits.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of 50 % undivided share in the property bearing old Sy No.8/2, New Sy No.8/7, measuring 7 guntas, situated at Kamakshipura Village, Hesarghatta Hobli, Yelahanaka Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded as: **East:** Road, **West:** Remaining land under this survey number, **North:** Land belonging to Bhagyalakshmi, **South:** The House at Beerappa's survey number

Given under my hand and seal of the court on this 03/02/2026

By order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Senior Civil Judge Court, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru

Advocate for Petitioner:
Sri. Satish V. & Associates
Office at No. 5/1, 1st Cross, 1st Floor, Vasanthanagar, Bengaluru- 560 052.

ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕರಿಗೆ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು 560 056, ಉಲ್ಲಾಳ ಉಪನಗರ, ಉಲ್ಲಾಳ, ಮಂಗನಹಳ್ಳಿ, 64/9ನೇ ನಂಬರು ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ಶ್ರೀ.ದೊಡ್ಡಪುಟ್ಟಯ್ಯರವರ ಮಗನಾದ ಸುಮಾರು 59 ವರ್ಷ ವಯಸ್ಸಿನ **ಶ್ರೀ.ಕಾಂತರಾಜು** ಮತ್ತು ನನ್ನ ಧರ್ಮಪತ್ನಿ ಸುಮಾರು 54 ವರ್ಷ ವಯಸ್ಸಿನ **ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ.ಗೌರಮ್ಮ** ಆದ ನಾವುಗಳು ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಷೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ಸ್ವತ್ತನ್ನು ಅದರ ಪ್ರಸ್ತುತ ಮಾಲೀಕರಾದ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು–560 050, ಶ್ರೀನಗರ, ಕಾಳಪ್ಪ ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, 284ನೇ ನಂಬರು ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ಶ್ರೀ.ಆರ್.ಬಸವರಾಜು ರವರ ಧರ್ಮಪತ್ನಿ ಸುಮಾರು 54 ವರ್ಷ ವಯಸ್ಸಿನ **ಬಿ.ಎನ್.ಸುಮಿತ್ರ** ಇವರುಗಳಿಂದ ಕ್ರಯಕ್ಕೆ ಕೊಂಡುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಯಾವುದೇ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ/ಗಳಿಗೆ ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿನ ವಿಚಾರವಾಗಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಹಕ್ಕು/ಕ್ಲೇಮುಗಳು, ತಂಟೆ ತಕರಾರು/ಅಪ್ರಾಪ್ತರ ಕ್ಲೇಮುಗಳು ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ಈ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ 07 **ದಿನಗಳ** ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ತಮ್ಮನ್ನು ಬೆಂಬಲಿಸುವ ಸೂಕ್ತ ದಾಖಲಾತಿಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಲಿಖಿತ ರೂಪದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿಳಾಸಕ್ಕೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು, ಒಂದು ವೇಳೆ ನಿಗಧಿತ ಸಮಯದೊಳಗೆ ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತುಗಳ ವಿಚಾರವಾಗಿ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ತಂಟೆ ತಕರಾರುಗಳು ಬಾರದಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ಮಾರಾಟ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯನ್ನು ಮುಂದುವರೆಸಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಪರವಾಗಿ ಕ್ರಯ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಾರೆಂದು ತಿಳಿಯುವುದು.

ಅನುಸೂಚಿ ವಿವರ:–

ಬೃಹತ್ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಮಹಾನಗರ ಪಾಲಿಕೆ 130ನೇ ವಾರ್ಡಿಗೆ ಸೇರಿದ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಉತ್ತರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಯಶವಂತಪುರ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಹುಲ್ಲಳು ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಹೌಸ್‌ಲಿಸ್ಟ್ ನಂ.83 ಮತ್ತು 84, 118/3 ಖಾತೆಯಾಗಿರುವ ಸತ್ತಿನ 02.83/118/3, ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ.2355260240, ಮುನಿಸಿಪಲ್ 83ನೇ ನಂಬರುಳ್ಳ ನಿವೇಶನಕ್ಕೆ ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ:–

ಪೂರ್ವಕ್ಕೆ : ರಸ್ತೆ.
ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ : ಬೇರೆಯವರ ಸ್ವತ್ತು
ಉತ್ತರಕ್ಕೆ : 84ನೇ ನಂಬರು ನಿವೇಶನ
ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ : ರಸ್ತೆ.

ಈ ಮಧ್ಯೆಯಿರುವ ಪೂರ್ವ ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ 41–0 (ನಲವತ್ತೊಂದು) ಅಡಿಗಳು, ಅಥವಾ 12.5 ಮೀಟರುಗಳು. ಉತ್ತರ ದಕ್ಷಿಣ 30–0 (ಮೂವತ್ತು) ಅಡಿಗಳು, ಅಥವಾ 9.14 ಮೀಟರುಗಳು, ಒಟ್ಟು 1230 ಚದರ ಅಡಿಗಳು. ಅಥವಾ ಒಟ್ಟು 114.25 ಚದರ ಮೀಟರುಗಳು, ಈ ರೀತಿ ಅಳತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿಗೊಳಪಟ್ಟ ನಿವೇಶನ ಮತ್ತು ಇದರಲ್ಲಿ ಸಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಮತ್ತು ಇಟ್ಟಿಗೆಯಿಂದ ಕಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಗೋಡೆಗಳು, ಕಾಡು ಮರದ ಬಾಗಿಲುಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಕಿಟಕಿಗಳು, ಸಿಮೆಂಟ್ ಪ್ಲಾಸ್ಟರಿಂಗ್ ಮತ್ತು ರೆಡ್‌ಆಕ್ಸೈಡ್ ಫ್ಲೋರಿಂಗ್ ಮಾಡಿರುವ 46.45 ಚದರ ಮೀಟರುಗಳು ಅಳತೆಯ ಎ.ಸಿ. ಶೀಟಿನ ಭಾವಣಿಯ ವಸತಿಯೇತರ ಕಟ್ಟಡ, ಈ ಕಟ್ಟಡಕ್ಕೆ ಅಳವಡಿಸಿರುವ ವಿದ್ಯುತ್ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಸಹಿತವಾದ ಪೂರಾ ಸ್ಥಿರಸ್ವತ್ತು ಈ ಶುದ್ಧ ಕ್ರಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸೇರಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಕಾಂತರಾಜು– 94800 26262 / 90088 89915

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby notified that the undersigned has been instructed to carry out search report to ascertain the marketable title and lawful possession of Sri. Ramappa, S/o Munishamappa, R/o, Maligenahalli Village, Kasaba Honbli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural, over the Schedule Property, who has offered to sell the same to my client for consideration. Consequently, I have undertaken to carry out search and to scrutinize various documents to ascertain the marketable title and lawful possession of the Owner over the Schedule Property and the search report is in progress. Meanwhile, I have been authorized to issue this Public Notice by the owner calling for objections from persons who may be interested in the Schedule Property or any portion thereof or having any claims against the Schedule Property or opposing sale thereof.

Therefore, any person/s, financial institutions or otherwise having any interest in the Schedule Property or any portion thereof or intending to oppose the sale of the Schedule Property or any portion thereof to third parties, may forward their written objections with supporting documents to the undersigned, **within TEN (10) days** from the date of publication hereof for scrutiny and consideration. Any objections received thereafter will not be considered and my client would proceed with the completion of the sale subject to title clearance, as if there are no third party claims or interest, and if any, are deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Agricultural property bearing Sy. No. 36/6, measuring to an extent of 0-12 Guntas situated at Devasatanada Ammanikere Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural and bounded on:

East by : Sy. No. 4
West by : Sy. No. 36/3
North by : Sy. No. 36/5,
South by : Sy. No. 34,

TANUJA .U, Advocate
No.5, Richmond Road, Bengaluru-560 025
Ph. No. 7349478133. Date: 03-02-2026

Can Fin Homes Ltd
Can Fin Homes Ltd (Sponsor: CANARA BANK)
K R Puram Branch
No. 414, Pooja Complex, Old Madras Road,
K R Puram, Bangalore – 560049,
Tel No. 080-25619333/ 7625079185,
Email Id: krpuram@canfinhomes.com
CIN: L85110KA1987PLC008699

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)] [For Immovable Property]

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated on **01-12-2025** calling upon the borrowers Mrs. **ANJALI DEVI W/o SURENDRA KUMAR** and Guarantor **Mr. SURENDRA KUMAR S/o MARCHU SHARMA** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 26,63,340/-** (Twenty Six Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Forty rupees only) with further interest at contractual rates, till date of realization within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 (of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002) on this the **03rd day of FEBRUARY 2026**.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Can Fin Homes Ltd for an amount of **Rs. 26,63,340/-** (Twenty Six Lakhs Sixty Three Thousand Three Hundred Forty rupees only) and interest thereon.

SCHEDULE OF THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY

All that piece and Parcel of the Property Western Portion of Site No.25, Formed Old Assessment No. 193/19, New Assessment No. 193, Bidarahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Measuring East to West: 20 Ft and North to South: 40 Ft., Totally Measuring 800 Sq.ft and Bounded On The: East : Remaining Portion of Site No. 25, West : Private Property, North : Road, South : Site No 26

Date : 04.02.2026
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.,

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

The Medical Superintendent & Head of Department, AGMC & GBP Hospital, Agartala invites e-Tender from Original Equipment Manufacturers / Authorized Dealer for **Procurement of 01 (one) Adult Video Bronchoscope with Multi-Monitor and Allied System for Dept. of Respiratory Medicine, Agartala Government Medical College & GBP Hospital, Agartala,** subject to certain terms & conditions through E-Procurement website of Government of Tripura, https://tripuratenders.gov.in (NIT also should publish in AGMC website www.agmc.ac.in). The Tender fee (non-refundable) and Earnest money (Refundable) are to be paid electronically over the online payment facility provided in the portal, any time before bid submission end date using either of the supported payment modes like net banking / debit card / credit card. Last date of submission is up to 09/02/2026.

- The other details related e-Tender can be seen and obtained from the website http://tripuratenders.gov.in
- Corrigendum / Addendum, if any, will be published only on the above website.

Sd/-
Medical Superintendent (H.O.D.)
AGMC & GBP Hospital, Agartala.

ICA/C/4097/26

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Traffic (Com) Department, 2nd Floor, Shanthinagar TTMC,
K.H. Road, Bengaluru-560027. Telephone No: 080-22537575
Website : **www.mybmtc.com** e-mail : **ctmc@mybmtc.com**
No. BMTC/CO/TR/COM/1722/4396/2025-26 Dated: 03.02.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 32/2025-26
(e-Procurement Platform)

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation invites offers/bids from the interested Persons/Agencies for setting up and maintenance of **EV BATTERY SWAPPING STATIONS at various bus stations of BMTC** through e-procurement platform.

Date of Pre-Bid meeting	**10.02.2026 at 11:00 hrs**	**Place: Mini-Meeting Hall, 4th Floor, Central Office, BMTC, Shanthinagar. Bengaluru**
Last date & time for submission of Bids	**03.03.2026 up to 17:00 hrs**	
Opening of Technical Bids	**05.03.2026 at 11:00 hrs**	
Opening of Financial Bids	**To be Intimated later**	

Further details in this regard can be obtained in the e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or by Contacting: 09240214000; 09240214001; 080-22483777 or 7760997519 & 7760991222 or E-mail: **ctmc@mybmtc.com.**

Sd/- Chief Traffic Manager (Com) (Tender inviting Authority)

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No. CEE/T&P/SE-1/2025-26/9514-32 **Date: 02.02.2026**

BRIEF SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal Only)

KPTCL invites Bids on electronic mode for the following works against following enquiry numbers **on Total/Partial Turnkey basis.**

Enquiry No. / Name of the Work
1) KPTCL/2025-26/TL/WORK_INDENT3258
Providing 66kV SC Link line from existing 66/11kV sub-station **Haradanahalli** to the existing 66/11kV sub-station **Vaderahalli** for a distance of **12.785** Kms with Panther Conductor along with construction of one number of 66kV Terminal bay at 66/11kV sub-station Haradanahalli & one number of 66kV Terminal bay at 66/11kV sub-station Vaderahalli in Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District.
2) KPTCL/2025-26/SS/WORK_INDENT3259
Combined package of following work: **Work-A:** Upgradation of 33/11kV sub-station at **Thokkottu** to 1x20MVA, 110/33kV & 2x20MVA, 110/11kV sub-station and construction of associated 110 kV LILO line with design based Monopoles for a distance of **1.915 Kms** and Laying 110kV 1Cx630 Sqmm from CTT point to proposed 110kV sub-station at Thokkottu for a distance of **2.52 Kms** in Ullala Taluk, Dakshina Kannada district. **Work-B:** Establishing 2x20MVA, 66/11KV sub-station at **Banahalli** with associated 66kV, 1000 sqmm UG cable line for a distance of **6.255 Kms** in Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District.

The bids will be received through electronic tendering mode only. The details regarding participation in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **07.02.2026 @ 15:00hrs.** Last date & time for receipt of Bids **02.03.2026 @ 15:00hrs. Any extension of Due date for Bid submission will be intimated in the Karnataka Public Procurement portal.** Any details required in this regard can also be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

All Corrigendum/Addendums shall be noticed by the bidders before the last date of submission of the Bids.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (Electy.),
Tendering & Procurement, KPTCL, 9th Floor,
Indhana Bhavana, A.R Circle, Bengaluru-560009.

Indian Overseas Bank
Residency Road Branch, 133/2, Janardhan Towers, Residency Road,Bengaluru- 560025.Mob: 8925950268

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E- AUCTION FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sale of immovable properties mortgaged to Bank under Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(No.54 of 2002)

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Indian Overseas Bank** has taken possession of the following properties pursuant to the notice issued under Section 13(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 in the following loan account with right to sell the same on, **AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and AS IS WHAT IS BASIS** for realization of Bank's dues plus interest & costs as detailed hereunder and whereas consequent upon failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of power conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act proposes to realize the Bank's dues by sale of the said properties. The sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the **Web Portal https://BANNKNET.in**

Name & address of the Borrowers:Mr.Bharathesha, S/o Shekar Shetty, No 60 3rd floor, West facing, 15th Main road, Indira Nagar, Bangalore 560038 **And also at** :No 3-13/1, Kalpavriksha house, Permude, Dakshuna Kannada, Mangalore 574509.**And also at: Mr. Bharathesha,** S/o Shekar Shetty, HDFC Life Insurance, No. 332/7, Suraj Ganga Arcade, 4th floor Near Ramakrishna Hospital, 2nd block, Jayanagar, Bangalore - 560011.

Date of NPA: 27.01.2025. Date of Demand notice: 28.01.2025 :

Dues claimed in Demand Notice:Rs. 1,10,79,856.16 (Rupees One crore ten lakhs seventy nine thousand eight hundred fifty six rupees sixteen Paise Only) as on 28.01.2025 with further interest & costs. **Date of possession notice: 08.05.2025.**

Dues claimed in Possession Notice: Rs.1,14,55,665 (Rupees One Crore Fourteen Lakhs fifty five Thousand Six hundred and sixty five Only) as on 08.05.2025 with further interest & costs less repayments, if any, made after issuance of demand notice.

Outstanding dues **as on 02/02/2026 is Rs.1,22,51,607.18 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Two Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Six Hundred Seven and Eighteen Paise Only)** with further interest & costs till the date of repayment in full.

*Outstanding dues of Local Self Government (Property Tax, Water sewerage, Electricity Bills etc.): Not known

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule 'A' Property: All that piece and parcel of the undeveloped composite land measuring 02 acre 04 guntas of land carved out of residentially converted land bearing Sy no 83/1 measuring 1 Acre 6 guntas and Sy no 83/2 measuring 1 Acre 18 guntas, totally measuring 2 Acres 04 guntas,(Converted vide official Memorandum dated 1/10/2010, bearing No. ALN(SB)SR:68/2010-11, issued by the special Deputy Commissioner) situated at Arakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and **bounded as:** East :Sy.No.82 ;West :Remaining portion of land belonging to Mr. Purushotham Reddy and Tejas and therafter Sy. No.85,North :Sy No. 84;South :Road

Schedule 'B' Property:(Description of undivided Share): 490 Square Feet of undivided share, right, title and interest / ownership in the Schedule 'A' properety.

Schedule 'C' Property: Residential unit no.312, in the third floor, Measuring 2072 square feet super built- up area , containing three bedroom, Hall, Kitchen etc., together with one covered car parking spaces, including proportionate share in common areas such as passage, lobbies, staircase, etc., contained in the multistoried building to be constructed on the schedule "A" property known as "ROSHAN PLATINUM APARTMENT".

The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is:

S. No.	Security Details	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Bid Increase Amount
1	Residential House Propertyas mentioned above	**Rs. 1,13,22,000/-** **+Applicable TDS which is 1%**	**Rs.11,32,200/-**	**Rs.1,00,000/-**

Date & Time of auction: 20.02.2026, 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM

Auto extension time: 10 minutes **Known Encumbrance if any: NIL.**

Inspection Date& Time: During office hours from 10:00 AM till 05:00 PM, from 03.02.2026 to 19.02.2026.

***Bank's dues have priority over the statutory dues. For terms and conditions please visit: https://www.iob.in/e-Auctions.aspx, https://www.publishtenders.gov.in https://BANNKNET.in/bidder-registration(web portal of e-auction Service provider)**

Date:02.02.2026
Place:Bengaluru

Sd/-Authorised Officer
INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (South Zonal Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.

Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708.
Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Public Notice For Sale/auction of Immovable Property {Under SARFAESI Act read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules}

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **20.02.2026** for recovery of **Rs.30,53,498/- (Rupees Thirty Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Eight Only) being the amount due as on 01.01.2026** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **(1) Mr. Ajay Singh** S/o Pritam Singh, G-4, Dharini Comforts Gangarden layout, Kalena Agrahara, Bannerghatta Road-560076. **And Also at :** GMR Highways Limited, IBC Knowledge Park, Phase-2, D Block, 10th Floor, No: 4/1, Bannerghatta Road-560076. **(2) Mrs. Neena Kumari,** G-4, Dharini Comforts Gangarden layout, Kalena Agrahara, Bannerghatta Road-560076. **in Loan Ref No: 8813.** Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details:

Known Encumbrances (If any)	**NIL**
Reserve Price (in Rs.)	**Rs.32,12,170/- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Twelve Thousand One Hundred and Seventy Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (in Rs.)	**Rs.3,21,217/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Twenty One Thousand and Two Hundred and Seventeen Only)** through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore.
Bid Incremental Amount	**Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand only)**
Last Date, Time and Venue for Submission of Bids / Tender with EMD	**Till 19.02.2026 latest by 05:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore–560 027, Addressed to Mr. Raghunath**
Date, Time, and Venue for Public Auction	**On 20.02.2026 between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above.**

DETAILS OF MORTGAGED SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY :

All that the Flat No G-4, Ground Floor, DHARANI COMFORTS, GanGarden layout kalena agrahara village, Bannerghatta Road Bangalore. Measuring 1129 East by : Private Property, West by : Road, North by : Gan Gan Apts, South by : Private Property Site No.34.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.** For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Raghunath & Mr.Karthick.R at Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore-560027 **(Mobile No.9886960484 & +91-9080589635, Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/ Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8(6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date : 02.02.2026
Place: Bangalore

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1	Fabrication & Supply of Exhaust hood made out of S.S 202 20SWG sheets with grease filters, holding channels & drain plug with light with taffan glass wall type mm LX 1010 mm W x 500 H	1	R-Free	
2	Fabrication & Supply of centrifugal Blower 5 hp 1440 rpm direct driven ISI crompton greaves 3 phase Motor.	1	Set	
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The Beginning

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THE INDIA STORY

Since its launch in India in 2010, the country has become Facebook's (now meta's) second-largest market

CONTROVERSY

Its last decade seen scandals including mishandled user data and the decision not to fact-check political ads, which drew ire from politicians, journalists and employees

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WHY SO BLUE?

According to some reports, Zuckerberg is red-green colourblind, which means the colour he can see best is blue

CE's guide to happenings in the city
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Bengaluru's music lovers have had a hum on their lips and skip in their step over the last few days as iconic music acts like Anoushka Shankar, Abhijeet Bhattacharya and Hanumankind enthralled the city with successive concerts. Here's a glimpse into what makes these musicians tick

PIC: PHOENIX MARKETCITY

A NEW CHAPTER

Skipping the Grammys despite two nominations to take the *Chapters Tour* across India, sitarist Anoushka Shankar reflects on the artiste she's grown into

TEJAL SINHA

ANOUSHKA **Shankar** returns to India at a reflective yet forward-looking moment in her journey. Though she missed out on the Grammys this year despite a double nomination, anticipation around her music has only grown, with audiences eager to experience her live. That wait culminated in her kicking off the *Chapters Tour* in India, with Bengaluru as the second stop. More than a concert, it felt like a homecoming – as Shankar brought three decades of musical evolution to a city with a curious modern audience.

Marking 30 years since she first stepped on stage, Shankar reflects on how profoundly her relationship with performance has evolved. "It blows my mind that I've been touring for 30 years. I started so young, so the journey has been a real evolution if I look at what it was like performing when I was 13 compared to now," she begins. For her, the transformation has been a gradual one. She continues, "The biggest transformation has been more of a long, gentle unfolding rather than a dramatic shift."

Decades of touring have brought a deepening sense of ease. She notes, "Being able to tour and perform around the world for such a long time has given me immense experience, which has helped me grow in comfort and confidence as a performer. The biggest difference now is my level of vulnerability on stage and my ability to really share from the heart. As a nervous beginner, performing was much scarier. I thought a lot about outcomes and presentation from an outward point of view. Now it's much more internal."

The *Chapters Tour* draws its name and emotional architecture from a trilogy of albums released over the last two years. The sitarist explains, "The tour is titled this because it's the culmination of the last three albums I've released over the past two years, which form a trilogy. *Chapter One: Forever, For Now*, *Chapter Two: How Dark It Is Before Dawn*, and *Chapter Three: We Return to Light*. They trace a journey across time – moving from a place of real pain, into healing, and finally into the strength of a new day."

Bringing this tour to India carries a resonance that goes beyond geography. "It means a lot to bring this tour back home, not just in the usual way it always does, because of course it always means a lot to tour India. But this journey actually started here. The seed of these three chapters came to me while I was sitting by the sea in Goa. The band I formed for this journey also had our debut show in India three years ago, before any of the chapters existed," she expresses.

The influence of her father and guru, Pt Ravi Shankar, continues to shape her philosophy of music. She recollects, "There were countless lessons I learned from him over decades of playing at his side, but the biggest lesson was one I observed rather than was told. Even in his 90s, even at the pinnacle of musical form, he approached music as a student. He used to say that you climb a mountain and all you see is a further vista. He never believed he had conquered music – there was always more to learn. That taught me everything about the spiritual nature of art, that it is an ever-evolving exploration of the soul and the human experience. That continues to influence everything I do."

Carrying such a formidable legacy has never been simple: "Because he was my father and guru, I could see very early the weight of expectation people placed on me, and also the judgment and criticism that came even before people had really heard my music." Learning to detach from external opinion was essential. She recounts, "I knew from the beginning that there were things I had no control over – other people's opinions. If I based my artistic fulfilment on that, I would be lost. So from the start, I asked myself: why am I a musician? Yes, I learned from my father. Yes, his legacy matters to me. But what is authentic to me? What do I need to express? What do I have to give? It's not always easy, but I've accepted that not everything I do will please everyone – and that's okay if it's honest."

Looking ahead, her work remains in motion. "I'll be continuing to tour the world with all three albums now that they're out. Beyond that, I'm working on new composition projects and some really exciting collaborations – though I can't name anyone yet," she concludes.

Abhijeet Bhattacharya crooning his hit songs alongside son Jay Bhattacharya

Golden memories from the silver screen

Post his recent concert in Bengaluru, veteran singer Abhijeet Bhattacharya on a lifetime of melodies

SRUTHI HEMACHANDRAN

'*MERE Khayalon Ki Malika*' floated in the air like a gentle breeze, each note wrapping softly, intimate as if it were written for each listener's heart. Every young woman felt it was for her alone as the track seemed to stop time for a moment. It was in this timeless magic that singer Abhijeet Bhattacharya made his presence felt, performing at Bowring Institute, alongside his son Jay Bhattacharya.

Known for his impeccable control and warmth, the 67-year-old singer has defined generations of music and decades into his career, continues to command attention with the same energy that made him a household name. Reflecting on his career, Bhattacharya fondly recalls his collaborations with legends like Jatin-Lalit, Anu Malik, Nadeem-Shravan and Anand-Milind. "Those collaborations had their own identity. Earlier, it was playback singing, now it's just singing. Everything is on the mobile phone, but the audience remains the same. What has changed is our reach, it's much wider now," the singer known for lending his voice to hits like *Ole Ole*, *Main Koi Aisa Geet*, *Chaand Taare*, *Husn Hai Suhana* and *Zara Sa Jhoom Loon Main* shares.

Despite these shifts, he cherishes the longevity of his music – he feels that the magic of a good song never fades. "Our '90s music has lasted 30 to 35 years and is still growing. Even music from the '60s and '70s is seeing a resurgence," he notes, tracing the lineage from Mohammed Rafi, Kishore Kumar, Lata Mangeshkar and Asha Bhosle, to his own generation – himself, Udit Narayan, Kumar Sanu, Alka Yagnik and now Shreya Ghoshal. "Back in RD Burman's time, there was a circle, a clear boundary. Today, there are hundreds of composers and millions of singers. By the time this interview is published, the count would have increased by another 200," he laughs.

The music industry has changed dramatically over the years and the senior vocalist is candid about what this new era means for singers and composers. With technology at everyone's fingertips, the lines between traditional musicianship and digital creation have blurred. Even as musician reaches wider audiences than ever before, he says, distinguishing voices has become increasingly arduous. "Music goes viral, it trends, but often you don't know who sang or composed it. We had the silver screen, but our era was golden. Technology has made everyone capable; acoustic, live, real musicianship is fading. Earlier, leading singers were few. The last singer who got that popularity was Sonu Nigam. After him, no one really reached that category," Bhattacharya shares.

Bhattacharya has seen the rise of singing reality shows and has been part of several himself. His experience gives him a unique perspective on what these show bring to the music industry. "Honestly, I don't go on unnecessary reality shows. From my side, you can take this as a certificate that everything is real and the contestants are extraordinary. Of course, the one who wins gets marketed later," he says.

Even with all the new talent and changing trends, Bhattacharya's personal tastes remain simple and unwavering. Today, his favourite contemporary singer is himself. "Even my seniors no longer captivate me!" he jokes."I've worked so hard, so what I cook myself has to be tastiest, doesn't it?" Bhattacharya asks.

CITY READ

New restaurant introduces Southeast Asia-inspired menu

Yoichi by Shiro, an Asian street market restaurant, is now open at Manyata Tech Park, Nagawara, bringing Southeast Asia's culinary street culture to Bengaluru. Inspired by Thailand's curry houses, the menu stretches across Asia, bringing together Thai glass noodles, Indonesian favourites, Korean kimchi ramen, Cantonese hot pots, Japanese classics like hamachi carpaccio and tsukune, Vietnamese hotpot, and frozen coconut yoghurt. Additional highlights include claypot corner, a salad cart with herbs and citrus, meatless specials that honour regional vegetarian traditions and more. Prices begin from ₹1,000++ for two. For more details, call 99001 85300.

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BEPUBLISHED EVERYWEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress @gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**. Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

① Bengaluru boasts of being the first city in Asia to light up its streets with electricity and the first street bulb was lit on August 5, 1905. Electricity was transmitted from the Shivanasamudra hydro-electric project across the river Cauvery. Which prominent traffic junction in the city was the first street bulb lit? City Market Junction or Russell Market Junction ?

② The first railway line in Bengaluru and perhaps in Karnataka was laid by the Madras Railway Company that ran over a stretch of 149 km from Bengaluru to Jolarpettai (in Tamil Nadu's Vellore district) and was opened for traffic in August 1864. From which railway station in Bengaluru did the first train steam out?

③ Telephone lines were laid long before the laying of electric lines in Bengaluru. It is reported that Telephone lines were installed for the first time in Bengaluru Cantonment soon after their introduction in Madras in 1881. In 1896, an 11-mile line from a prominent lake on the western outskirts of the city to Banavara was laid and used extensively to coordinate anti-plague operations in 1898. Was it Hesaraghatta lake or Madiwala lake?

SILENT WARS
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WHY I KILLED MY HUSBAND
ANITA NAIR

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A BIG STEPPER

Bengaluru-based rapper of *Big Dawgs* fame, Hanumankind, took to the stage on Sunday to a crowd of eager fans

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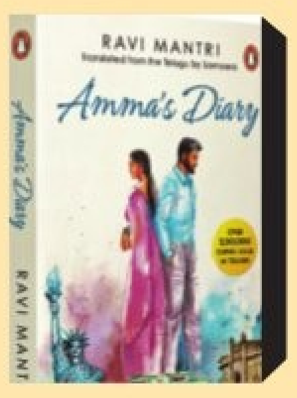
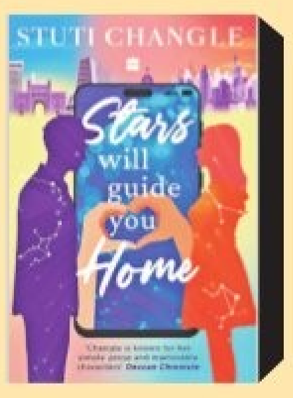


Amma's Diary

by Ravi Mantrii (Author), Sameera (Translator)

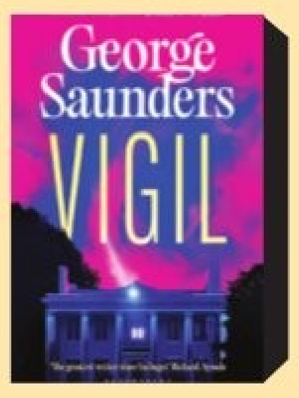
An elegy for the unspoken lives, *Amma's Diary* is a rediscovery of a long-lost love story. It becomes a chronicle of time and memory inherited by the weight of choices made and unmade.



Stars Will Guide You Home

by Stuti Changle

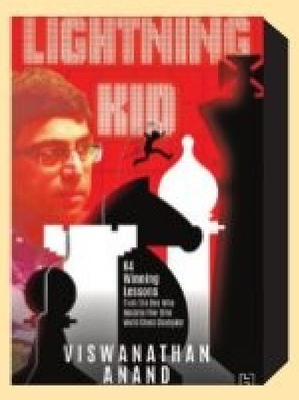
Would you take a second chance at love if an app matches you up? Set in India and the US, this is a story of love reimagined in the digital age.



Vigil

by George Saunders

George Saunders confronts the biggest issues of our time, spinning a tale that encompasses life and death, good and evil and the inevitable question: who else could we be but exactly who we are?



Lightning Kid

by Viswanathan Anand

This book dives into the most dramatic moments of Anand's life and career – wins, losses, comebacks and masterstrokes – along with 64 bite-sized lessons, one for every square on the chessboard.

DEFINED BY DETAILS

Artist TD Suresh shares a glimpse of his brush line drawings with a visitor at his solo exhibition 'Devatha Rekhotsava', at the Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath on Kumarakrupa Road | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

QUICKFIX

MALAI CHICKEN KEBAB

INGREDIENTS

- **Boneless chicken cubes:** 250g
- **Mozzarella cheese:** 100g
- **Black pepper powder:** to taste
- **Curd:** 100g
- **Salt to taste**

METHOD

- Marinate chicken cubes in curd, mozzarella cheese, salt and pepper and keep aside for 2 hours. Preheat the air fryer and place a silicone case
- Place the cubes inside one by one leaving little space in between and cook for 8-10 minutes at 185º. Take the cubes out once done and serve them hot.

Contributed by **Ratna Chakraborty,** Hyderabad

NOWSTREAMING

REGIONAL

CHAMPION (Telugu)

A rising football star from Secunderabad sets his sights on England – until a risky plan draws him into a fierce resistance in post-independence India.

Cast: Roshan Meka, Anaswara Rajan, Kalyan Chakravarthy

- **Watch on:** Netflix

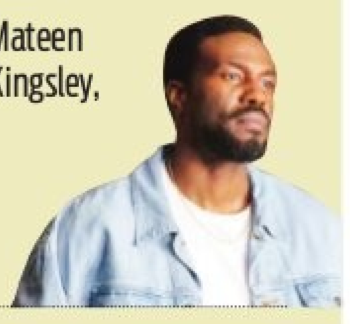
FOREIGN

WONDER MAN (English)

Hollywood actor Simon Williams is thrust into the world of superheroes as he gets powers of his own and becomes the new superhero Wonder Man.

Cast: Yahya Abdul-Mateen II, Zlatko Burić, Ben Kingsley, Josh Gad

- **Watch on:** JioHotstar



SHRINKING (English, series)

Jimmy navigates a new romance while adjusting to his daughter Alice leaving for college. Meanwhile, Paul grapples with Parkinson's and the challenges of retirement.

Cast: Jason Segel, Jessica Williams, Harrison Ford

- **Watch on:** Apple TV+

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FULL-BODY MOBILITY ROUTINE THAT YOU CAN DO EVERY DAY

Mobility improves the range of motion in joints, making daily movements easier and pain-free. Daily mobility work supports joint circulation, muscle performance, injury prevention and overall physical comfort. Below is a movement routine you can follow every day.

1. FOR UPPER BODY, ADD THE FOLLOWING MOBILITY EXERCISES

- **Wall slides:** Stand with your back against a wall and slide your arms up and down
- **Prone YTW raises:** Lying face down, raise your arms in Y, T and W positions
- **Dynamic thread the needle:** From a quadruped position, rotate one arm under and then open it upwards
- **PVC Pass Throughs:** Holding a PVC stick or band, move it overhead and behind the body

2. FOR LOWER BODY ADD THE FOLLOWING MOBILITY EXERCISES

- **Alt WGS:** Step into a deep lunge and rotate the torso towards the lead leg to open hips, hamstrings and spine
- **90-90 hip switches:** Sit with both knees bent at 90 degrees and rotate side to side
- **Squat to toe touches:** Move from a deep squat to straight-leg toe touches
- **Dynamic world's greatest stretch**: Perform a flowing lunge stretch with rotation

3. FOR CORE:

- **Cat-camel:** Move the spine through flexion and extension on all fours
- **Bird-dog:** Extend opposite arm and leg while maintaining a neutral spine
- **T-spine rotation:** Rotate the upper back from a seated or quadruped position
- **Deadbug:** Lying on your back, alternate arm and leg movements while keeping the core engaged

QUICK TIP FOR SUCCESS

- For mobility, always do it dynamically. Go as deep as you can, hold two seconds and come back to a neutral position. Repeat for 10 repetitions
- Do not hold your breath. Focus on exhaling when you go to maximum joint range of motion.

A structured mobility routine improves range of motion, joint health, flexibility and overall movement quality, making both daily activities and workouts more efficient and comfortable.

By Dhruva Sivakumar, fitness expert, cult – a fitness and wellness platform

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Stars in Action

Watch the imaginative retelling of legendary filmmaker Satyajit Ray's *Patol Babu, Film Star* in the play *The Star*. Catch laughter, warmth and late-life shine all under one roof! The event brings a moving journey through the chaos of a film set.

WHEN: February 4, 7.30pm

WHERE: Jagriti Theatre, Whitefield

DETAIL: .jagritheatre.com

Portrait Retellings

Engage in the timeless art of pichwai painting, rooted in Rajasthan's rich cultural heritage. Gain hands-on learning in intricate and vibrant motifs under expert guidance and explore the meditative rhythm of this traditional legacy.

WHEN: February 4, 1pm onwards

WHERE: Big Bean Cafe, Indiranagar

DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Jazz Redefined

Tune in for a remarkable showdown of contemporary jazz and live music. Step into the arena and witness homegrown talent – Derek & the Cats joining forces with global excellence, the Benny Greb Brass Band, for an unforgettable night.

WHEN: February 4, 6.45pm onwards

WHERE: Fandom at Gilly's Redefined, Kormangala

DETAILS: urbanaut.app

Aromatic Traditions

Savour the flavours of the most loved comfort dish! Experience a flavourful journey across India with the Hyderabadi to Malabari Biryani Trail, a limited-period culinary celebration. Relish a rotating selection of signature biryanis, regional interpretations and traditions from the royal kitchens.

WHEN: February 4, 12pm onwards

WHERE: Madras Kitchen, Marriott Executive Apartments, UB City

CALL: 90360 54585

Laugh Out Loud

Unwind with late-night laughs that hit just right! Headlined by hilarious comics like Pronoy Chowdhury, Taral Shah and more, the event offers a perfect post-work escape.

WHEN: February 4, 8.30pm onwards

WHERE: Klayworkz Barista, JP Nagar

CALL: 70191 15511

Underwater Thrills

Get inspired by marine life! Dive into epic experiences, like the underwater tunnel, the walkthrough aquarium with a diverse range of small to large freshwater fishes and much more. Take along your friends and get immersed in thrilling aquatic escapades and exciting rides.

WHEN : February 4, 10.30am onwards

WHERE : Aquarium Paradise, JC Nagar

CALL: 96063 11881

Get, Set, Go!

Jump into the thrill of high-speed action! Compete with your friends on go-karting tracks, paintball and laser tag missions. Recharge at the ultimate adrenaline playground and leave with lasting memories.

WHEN: February 4, 10am

WHERE: Play Arena, Kasavanahalli

DETAILS: district.in

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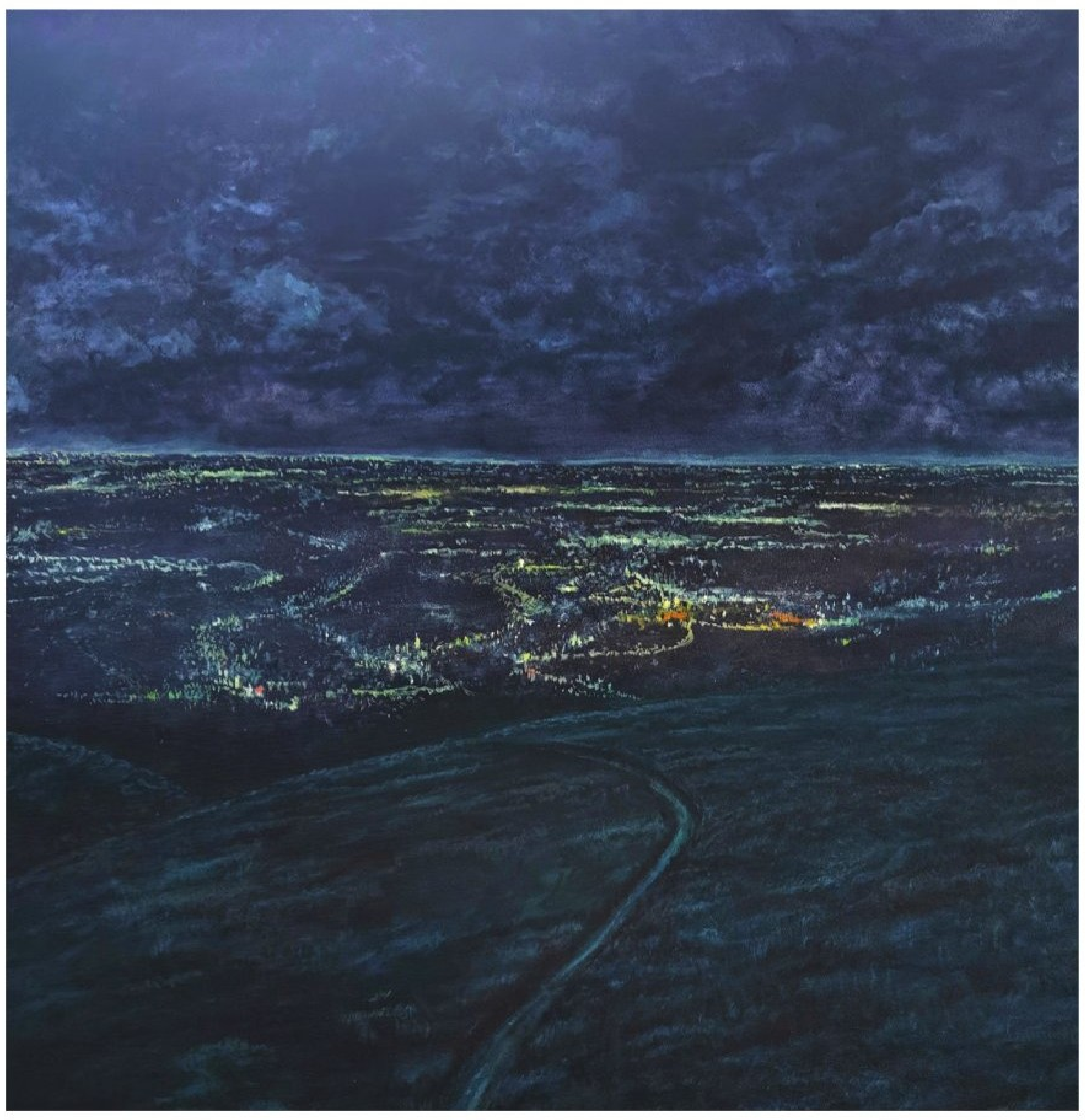


CITY OF LIGHTS

Kerala-based artist, Rahul Prasanna, paints an aerial night view of a city

SILENT WARS

Writer Anita Nair's latest short story collection zooms in on women's lived realities

SRUTHI HEMACHANDRAN

Anita Nair with copies of *Why I Killed My Husband and Other Such Stories*

FEW contemporary writers capture the quiet violences of everyday life as sharply as Anita Nair. In her latest short story collection, *Why I Killed My Husband and Other Such Stories* (Westland Books, ₹599), she turns her gaze to women who endure, 'adjust' and sometimes rebel, not always loudly, but with a resolve shaped by years of being unseen. Across six stories set against the backdrop of a fractured socio-political landscape, she examines how power operates, in ways so normalised that they escape notice. **Excerpts:**

The title immediately catches attention, but the stories unfold quietly. What drew you to the contrast?

The title *Why I Killed My Husband* suggested itself even before I had finished writing the title story. So, when I decided to compile the collection, I wanted to use the same title for the book. Given that the stories themselves are built around core contexts about the state of our nation, which most of us think don't concern us or our lives, I needed a title that, while being strong, was intensely personal.

Many women in the collection seem to carry on rather than push back openly. Are there particular experiences or observations that inspired these characters' struggles?

As Indian women, we seem to have endurance imprinted in our DNA. Those who resist in bold fashion are few and they exist in a stratum most women can't see themselves ever reaching. The women I write about carve out their self-worth through smaller but no less important struggles. A middle-aged woman seeking me-space, a young girl deciding to join a political protest, a wife stepping out of her skin to be someone else – these themes represent the changing nature of the Indian woman and our country, which don't seem dramatic on the surface, they are often overlooked.

In *Why I Killed My Husband*, the narrator's actions are shocking yet told with a calm, almost matter-of-fact voice. How did you approach capturing her mindset?

In the story, the narrator is a woman whose life, like that of many women everywhere is one of constant repression. She has reached the end of her tether, yet society offers her neither a safe space nor a breathing space. So, she decides to do something about it. Once I was able to identify who she is as a person, I wanted to project her cold rage – not revenge but rage – best served cold.

***Twin Beds* shows characters' coexistence rather than connect. Is coexistence damaging than conflict?**

We often shy away from connection or conflict, telling ourselves that passive avoidance is safer than confrontation. Yet this passive stance leads to an impasse. In a larger context, many of us also choose to look the other way regarding what plagues our society, thinking it won't arrive at our doorsteps, until it does.

***The Land of Lost Content* is rooted in your experience. How did you decide what and what not to keep personal?**

Pretty much everything about the story is based on my own unsettling experience. I just brought a character from my earlier book *Eating Wasps*, as the protagonist. When I mentioned what had happened to me to a few friends, one or two of them asked me if I didn't see any red flags. While writing the story, I realised there were no obvious red flags. Every step is carefully orchestrated to an already written script that I was blindsided, as are all the people who have had this happen to them. It's not about the awareness levels of the victims; but about the layer of fear that shrouds each one of us, that the system is an abyss you can drown in. And there is no tussling with it without consequences.

In stories like *Quota Girls*, social pressure comes from peers and systems. Were you showing how oppression can be internalised?

The caste system is thriving in India to this day. So when a person comes with a ghastly inheritance of being oppressed through generations, and their own lives are striated with acts of oppression, it becomes ingrained into their psyche that they are not worthy. The same goes for oppressors, who believe they have a divine right to privilege. I wanted to talk about how it would require great courage to break free of that.

The charm of coffee table books

FLYLEAF
V R FEROSE

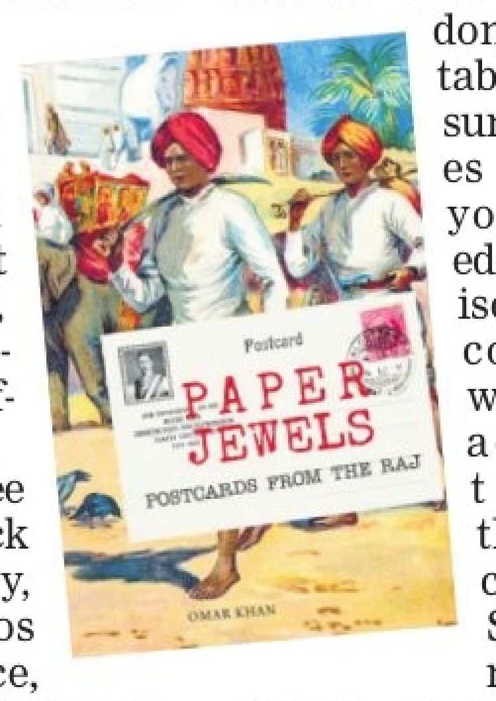
(The author is a technologist based in Silicon Valley who is gently mad about books)

IN a world increasingly dominated by fleeting digital moments, coffee table books continue to hold a timeless appeal. One such book that moved me deeply was *Humans of New York*, by photographer Brandon Stanton. What began as a simple project of photographing strangers on the streets of New York City grew into a global movement rooted in empathy. Through candid portraits and personal narratives, the book reveals the extraordinary in the ordinary. With its clean design and emotional resonance, *Humans of New York* has become a mirror to our shared humanity.

Inspired by this idea, our own non-profit, the India Inclusion Foundation, embarked on a journey to tell untold stories – digitally first and then through the medium of a coffee table book. *Everyone is Good at Something*, captured by photographer Vicky Roy and edited by CK Meena, showcases the lives of persons with disabilities across India. These are stories of resilience, dignity and quiet triumph.

Pioneers like Roli Books and Mapin Publishing have, for decades, celebrated Indian heritage through richly produced volumes. Founded in 1978 by Pramod Kapoor, Roli Books carved a niche for itself by blending rigorous research with high-end design. Kapoor's *Gandhi: An Illustrated Biography* remains a standout – an intimate, photo-rich portrayal of the Mahatma's life. Then there's *Bollywood Posters* by Jerry Pinto and Sheena Sippy – an exuberant tribute to the dazzling, kitschy art of Indian cinema posters.

Another gem is *Paper Jewels* by Omar Khan – a Mapin publication and a labour of love that brings together over 500 rare Indian picture postcards from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. These images capture not just monuments but also moods, people, and everyday moments that history often forgets.



The history of coffee table books goes back to the 19th century, when oversized folios featuring art, science, or geography adorned parlours and libraries. By the mid-20th century, the modern coffee table book emerged – defined by large format, striking visuals and minimalist text. This golden era gave rise to legends like Ansel Adams, whose sweeping landscapes elevated photography to fine art, and Helmut Newton, whose provocative fashion imagery redefined glamour.

One of my personal favourites is Taschen's *Art Record Covers* – a fascinating visual journey that explores the intersection of music and art through more than 450 album covers, from Salvador Dalí's surreal illustrations to Banksy's graffiti for Blur. Another captivating book is *Louis Vuitton: 100 Legendary Trunks*, a celebration of the bespoke travel trunks crafted for legends such as Ernest Hemingway and Karl Lagerfeld.

In today's hyper-digital age, one might assume the coffee table book would fade into irrelevance. And yet, these books endure – and even thrive. You don't skim a coffee table book – you leisurely turn its pages and let it draw you in. Limited editions, personalised bindings, and collaborations with artists and activists have transformed these books into collectable art. Some, like Helmut Newton's *SUMO*, are so grand in scale they come with their own stands!

Coffee table books also serve another important function – they reflect who we are. What we choose to display in our living rooms often mirrors what we value – be it travel, design, heritage, or social justice. They are cultural mirrors placed in the most public corners of our private lives.

(The writer's views are personal)

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, Aslam Pasha, S/o. Sheik Karim Sab, R/at No. 8, Medihalli Extension, Medihalli RTO Office, Medihalli Virgonagar Post, Bangalore-560049, India, My name was wrongly entered as SHEIK ASLAM PASHA in my passport, my correct name is **ASLAM PASHA**. Vide affidavit dated 03.02.2026, Sworn before Advocate & Notary Leela, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, FATIMA BATUL CEEVARAM SADULLASH, residing at #1654, 1st Cross, Shivaramayya Layout, HBR 3rd Stage, Kalyananagar, Bengaluru 560043, have changed my name to **FATHIMA BATHUL** vide Affidavit, dated 27/01/2026, sworn to before Advocate & Notary public M. Rajendra, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Vinoda C K, S/o KOMARIGOWDA CHOWVALLY NIRWANIGOWDA, aged about 36 years, residing at No 5, Chowvally, Changadihalli, PO: Changadihalli, Sakaleshpura, District: Karnataka, PIN Code: 573137, presently at Bangalore have change my name from **Vinod C K to Vinoda C K** vide affidavit dated 03/02/2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary, Diwakar .N Kagawad, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Rakshith G**, son of Sri. **Govindaiah K.M** aged 28 years, R/O No. 104/ 105, 3rd cross, Malagala Village, Ramakrishna Layout, Magadi Main Road, Vishwaneedum Post, Bangalore- 560091, hereby declare that my father's correct name is mentioned as **Govind K.M** instead of **Govindaiah K. M** For all purpose. Affidavit date-3/02/2026 Sworn Before Notary H S Sakalesh Aradhya Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

AFFIDAVIT
I Mr. B V SRINIVAS, S/o Venkataswamaiah B.H, R/o. Bidadi Ramanagar Bangalore do hereby solemnly affirm and state that in my Aadhar card my name is mentioned as **B V SRINIVAS** and in my Pan Card my name is mentioned as **SRINIVAS B V** and in my Passport my name is mentioned as **SRINIVASA BIDADI VENKATASWAMAIAH.** Above mentioned all the names are one and the same and belong to me only. Sworn before notary.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SOWMYA CHANDRASHEKAR, Residing at at #124, Lakshmi Venkateshwara Nilaya, Munnekolala Main Road, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SOWMYA CHANDRASHEKAR** to **(NEW NAME) SOWMYA K** vide Affidavit Dated 03/02/2026, sworn before Notary A.M. Rajasekar, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **KUMARI K**, W/o. L. Karthigai Nathan, aged about 59 years, residing at No. 10, 1st Main road, 3rd Cross, Coconut Garden Layout, Back, Kodigehalli Main Road, Ayyappa Nagar, Bengaluru North, Krishnarajpura, Bengaluru-560036, do hereby declare that both the names has been belongs to same person i.e., **Kumari** and **Kumari K,** vide affidavit dated 03.02.2026, sworn to before Sivakumara M.N, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RICHU SETHI** (New name) W/o Gautam Sethi, D/o Jagdish Chander and Kanta Rani, Residing at B-207, Krishna Shelton, Bagalur Main Road, Opposite Axis Bank, Kateganahalli, AF Station Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560063. Hereby solemnly declare that I have changed my name from **RICHU** to **RICHU SETHI** vide affidavit dated.30.01.2026 sworn to before Notary, **S R Ravikumar,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **JONITHA D'SOUZA**, W/o. Santhosh Kumar D.R., D/o. John Francis D'Souza, Aged about 24 years, previous address Nada Village, Permanu Post, Belthangady Taluk, Udupi District, presently residing at No. 206, Thaeeya Neralu, Ayyappa Swamy Temple Road, Cholanayakanhalli, R.T. Nagar Post, Bangalore - 560 032, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **JONITHA D'SOUZA** to **Smt. NEETHUSHREE** vide affidavit dated 20.07.2009 sworn before 15th Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, LOKESH JASWANTH TEJAS L GOWDA. S/o LOKESH. K, aged about 21 years, residing at No.69, K.Narayanapura Main Road, K Nagenahalli, Bengaluru North PO Dr, Shivarama Karanth Nagar, Bengaluru - 560077, have changed my name from **LOKESH JASWANTH GOWDA** to **LOKESH JASWANTH TEJAS GOWDA,** vide affidavit dated Ravi Kumar V Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) ARE MARATI SWETHA, residing at No. 11/48, Beeralingeshwara Nilaya, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Singapura Layout, Singapura Village, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560097, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) ARE MARATI SWETHA** to **(NEW NAME) C S SWETHA** vide Affidavit Dated 02 Feb 2026, sworn before Notary G.R.Ravichandra Reddy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) THILAK, residing at No. 11/48, Beeralingeshwara Nilaya, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Singapura Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore - 560097. have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) THILAK** to **(NEW NAME) A M THILAK** vide Affidavit Dated 14 Jun 2025, sworn before Notary T.V.Bhadravijaya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MOHAMMED ALTAF PASHA, S/o. MOHAMMED AMEER, resident of # 512, 29TH A Main, Corporation Colony, Jayanagar 9TH Block East, Bangalore - 560059, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MOHAMMED ALTAF PASHA** to **(NEW NAME) MOHAMMED ALTAF** vide Affidavit Dated 02/02/2026, sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MUDDEGOWDA,** S/o Sri Venkataramanappa, age 57 years, R/at No. 50, Muddanna Legacy, Muddayanapalya, Sir M V Layout, 7th Block, Bengaluru-560 091 do hereby declare that both the names i.e. **MUDDEGOWDA** and **MUDDEEGOWDA** are one and the same and refers to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **MUDDEGOWDA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 6th January 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ANITHA BAI** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **TAMUKU LEELA SASIKALA,** D/o. Joseph Soloman, W/o. Late B. Victor Pradeep, aged about 52 years. R/at. No. 314, 2nd 'C' Cross, Kasturinagar, Vijinapura, Doorvaninagar Post, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560016, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **T L Sasikala @ Tumuku Leela Sasikala** to **Tamuku Leela Sasikala,** vide affidavit dated 03.02.2026, sworn to before K.C. Chowde Gowda, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAGHAVENDRA KARTIK.A,** resident of Sai Brundhavana Apartment, Bangalore - 560026, have changed my name from **RAGHAVENDRA KARTHIK .A** to **RAGHAVENDRA KARTIK.A,** vide affidavit dated 02.02.2026 sworn before notary Mamatha N K, Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Mr. GURU NANJAN**, Aged about 55 years, S/o. Nanjan, Residing at No. 11/87, Poremandu, Korakunde Mulligoor Manjoor, The Nilgiris, Tamil Nadu - 643 219 do hereby declare that **RANJAN N** and **GURU NANJAN** is one and the same person only. Therefore for now onwards to whomsoever concerned my name to be retained and continued to be called as **GURU NANJAN** vide affidavit dated 28.01.2026 sworn to before K.C. Chowde Gowda, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, LAVALAPPA REDDY, S/o Late Gantala Reddy, Major, R/at G No.3, B Block, N D Sepal Apartment, Somsandarapalya, HSR Layout, Sector-2, Bangalore - 560102, have changed my name from **LEVEL REDDY** to **LAVALAPPA REDDY,** vide affidavit dated 2/2/2026 sworn to before A C Subbu Swamy Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Army No.13619322M, Ex-Hav **Mohankumar Madappa,** S/o. late M S Madappa, residing at #1, 7th 'C' Cross, Gardan Vilas, BBMP Quarters, Nagarbhavi, Bengaluru560072, have changed the name of my spouse from **M M BHUVANESHWARI** to **NS BHUVANESHWARI**, vide Affidavit Dated: 02/02/2026 sworn before XXIX Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru City.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **GIRISH BOREGOWDA,** R/at No. 32, 2nd Main, Mount Joy Extn., Hanumantha Nagar, Bengaluru-560 019 do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **KARTHIK G** to **RIDHARV GIRISH GOWDA,** henceforth he shall be known and called as **RIDHARV GIRISH GOWDA** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 3rd February 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHELLUR ARUNKUMAR,** aged about 54 years, S/o. Chelur Chandrasekhariah, residing at Flat No. H-605, Mantri Tranquil Apartments, off Kanakapura Road, Gubbalala, Subramanyapura post, Bangalore-560061, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ARUN KUMAR C** to **CHELLUR ARUNKUMAR,** vide affidavit dated 30.01.2026, sworn to before T.C. Thimmaraja, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ADVAITH SUBHASH MENON** (Old Name), S/o. **Subhash Karthikeyan** R/at No.22221, Tower 22, Prestige Lakeside Habitat, SH-35, Devasthanagalu, Gunjur, Bangalore-560087 have changed my name to **ADVAITH MENON** (New Name), vide affidavit dt:03.02.2026 before Notary **K.V. Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MASANI AAYAN**, aged about 19 years, S/o. Sohil Abdulrasul Masani, No. 18, 1st Floor, 3rd Main Extension B T R Garden, Kudlu Gate, Bangaluru-560068, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AAYAN SOHIL MASANI** to **MASANI AAYAN,** vide affidavit dated 03.02.2026, sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, JANARDAN.L, S/o Lavalappa Reddy, aged about 42 years, R/at G No.3, B Block, N D Sepal Apartment, Somsandarapalya, HSR Layout, Sector-2, Bangalore - 560102, have changed my name from **JANARDHAN** to **JANARDHAN.L,** vide affidavit dated 2/2/2026 sworn to before A C Subbu Swamy Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) VISWANATHA.N, S/o. K Nanjappa, residing at No.67, 1st cross, Raghavanagar, NTY Layout, Bengaluru-560026, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) VISWANATHA.N** to **(NEW NAME) VISHWANATH.N** vide Affidavit Dated 02/02/2026, sworn before Notary P.N.Nagesha, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, A GEETHA, W/o. J Dilipkumar, residing at #007, SLV Nest Apartment, 2nd Cross, Sonnappa Layout, Near Reliance Fresh, Hennur Cross, Kalyannagar Post, Bengaluru 560043, have changed the name of my minor daughter from **HASMITHA DILIPKUMAR** to **G D HASMITHA** vide Affidavit Dated: 02/02/2026, sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) VIJAY KUMAR, S/o. RAMACHANDRA, Resident at NO.3, Shalem, 4th Cross, Shammanna Layout, Lingarajapuram, Bengaluru North, St. Thomas Town, Bengaluru-560084, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) VIJAY KUMAR** to **(NEW NAME) VIJAY KUMAR.R.** vide Affidavit Dated 31/01/2026, sworn before Notary N.Narayana Swamy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MALA SANJAY** R/at No.35, 2nd Main Road 5th Cross, Vinayakanagar Bengaluru-560030 have changed my name to **MALA NARAYANASWAMY** vide affidavit dated: 3/2/2026 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Kushal G**, son of **Sri. Govindaiah K.M** aged 20 years, R/O No.104/105, 3rd cross, Malagala Village, Ramakrishna Layout, Magadi Main Road, Vishwaneedum Post, Bangalore- 560091, hereby declare that my father's correct name is mentioned as **K.M Govindhiah** instead of **Govindaiah K. M** For all purpose. Affidavit date- 3/02/2026 Sworn Before Notary H S Sakalesh Aradhya Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, NOOR IMRANULKARIM D/o. MOHD. SULTAN, residing at Shriram Sameeksha, T3-303, Kuvempu Nagar, Jalahalli East Bengaluru - 560013, have changed my name from **KAZI NOORJAHAN MOHD. SULTAN** to **NOOR IMRANULKARIM,** vide affidavit dated 3/2/2026 sworn to before V Rangaramu Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sangeetha Anand Thottungal** (Holder of Passport No. P2184018, W/o Anand Thottungal, R/o 8/1, "Pushya', 1st Block, 1st "A" Main, 2nd A Cross, Dollars Colony, Ashwathnagar, RMV Extension 2nd Stage, Bengaluru – 560094 have changed my name to **Sangeetha Anand** for all future purposes vide affidavit dated 03-02-2026 sworn before Notary Adv. **L.B.Anasuyamma,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Moushumi Tamuly,** declare that the name of mother in the ICSE records /certificates vide Unique ID 8394412, pertaining to my daughter **Veda Agastya** has to be corrected / changed and recorded as **Moushumi Tamuly** (correct name) instead of **Mousmumi Tamuly** (incorrect name) vide Affidavit Dated: 02/02/2026, sworn before XXIX Addl. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bengaluru City.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) VINODHINI.R., D/o. RAMACHANDRA, Resident at NO.3, Shalem, 4th Cross, Shammanna Layout, Lingarajapuram, Bengaluru North, St. Thomas Town, Bengaluru-560084, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) VINODHINI.R.** to **(NEW NAME) VINODINI** vide Affidavit Dated 31/01/2026, sworn before Notary N.Narayana Swamy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAYADA HEENA ANJUM** W/o. Sri Nirkhatta Akbar Imran Aman Shariff, aged about 47 years, residing at # B-1134, Shobha Althea and Azalea, Nagenahalli, Harohalli Village, Opp. Hoysala Habitat, Yelahanka, VTC: Harohalli, PO : Singanayakanahalli, Sub Dist: Bangalore North, Dist: Bengaluru, Karnataka-560064, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SAYADA HEENA ANJUM** to **ANJUM SHARIFF,** vide affidavit dated 03.02.2026, sworn to before H.K. Gopalagowda, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KRUTHIK KUMAR B C,** aged about 35 years, Residing at, No.10, Sri Matha, 5th Main, Adityanagar, J.P.Nagar 8th Phase, Bangalore-560108, have changed my Minor Daughter's name from **ANVI. B.K.,** to **ANVI KRUTHIK BEDUR,** vide Affidavit Dated: 31-01-2026, Sworn before Notary, Aravind Patil.G.G., Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ROSY K REGI, spouse of Service No. 710179-A, Ex. Sergeant REGI K VARUGHESE, resident of Flat No. B-502, VDB Celadon, Shivanahalli, Jakkur Main Road, Raither Santhe, Yelahanka, Bangalore -560064 have changed my Name from **ROSY K REGI** to **ROSY VARGHESE** vide Affidavit No. IN-KA70082388934678Y dated 03-02-2026 sworn before Notary G.R. Ravichandra Reddy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **R S MOHAN BABU,** S/o R V Seetharamaiah, age 63 years, R/at No. 22/7, Korati Srinivas Rao Road, MGK Morthy Layout, near Uma Talkies, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560 018 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **R S MOHAN** to **R S MOHAN BABU,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **R S MOHAN BABU** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 2nd Feburary 2026, sworn before Advocate and Notary **PRAKASHA .C** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, MUSKAN FATHIMA, D/o. Rehman Rehan Baig, residing at #522, 5th Floor, 1st Stage, 4th Block, HBR Layout, Bengaluru 560043, have changed my name to **MUSKAAN FATIMA** vide Affidavit Dated: 30/01/2026, sworn before Notary MEER HASSAN, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAVI**, Son of D. Yallappa, Aged about 37 years, (D.O.B. 31.05.1988) presently residing at # 134, Sougandha, 3rd Floor, New Shivu Layout, University Road, Mariyappanapalya, Jnanabharathi Post, Bengaluru - 560 056, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **(1) RAVI PRAKASH.D.Y, (2) RAVI BELLARY** AND **(3) VARDHAN** to **RAVI** vide affidavit dated 02.02.2026 sworn to before Puttaramaiah, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAMYA VASUDEV MAIYA**, resident of No.229 8th Main, Arekere Mico Layout, Bengaluru 560076 have changed my name to **RAMYA PRASHANTH** vide affidavit dated: 3/2/2026 Before Notary **Mohammed Hussain.K** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, KRISHNAPPA LOKESH, S/o Sri. Krishnappa, aged about 57 years, residing at No.69, K. Narayanapura, To Nagenahalli Main Road, N. Nagenahalli, Kotnur Post, Bengaluru - 560077, have changed my name from **KRISHNAPPA LOKESHA** to **KRISHNAPPA LOKESH",** vide affidavit dated 2/2/2026 sworn to before Ravi Kumar V Advocate and Notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, MAHAMAD KHALID SIDGI, S/o. SYED JOHNI, resident of #185, 1st Floor, Anjanadari Layout, Rachenahalli Main Road, Bengaluru 560077, have changed my name to **SYED SADIQ** vide Affidavit, dated 03/02/2026, sworn to before Advocate & Notary public M. Rajendra, Bangalore.

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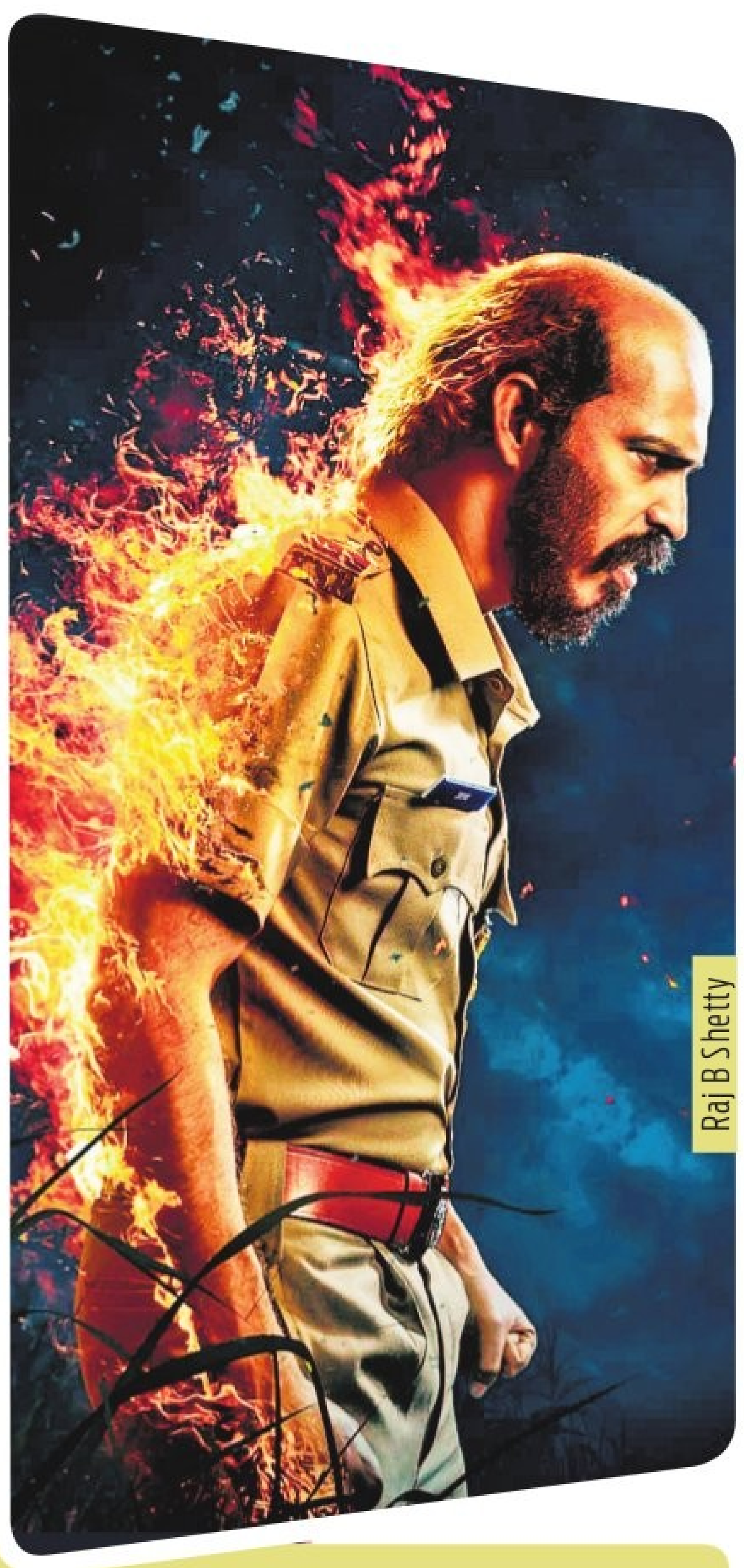
PRODUCING FILMS IS MY WAY OF GIVING BACK TO CINEMA: RAVI VARMA

From designing high-octane action to producing a story-driven crime drama, Ravi Varma now charts his next move with *Rakkasapuradhol*, starring Raj B Shetty in the lead

A SHARADHAA

Ravi Varma



Raj B Shetty

FOR Ravi Varma, cinema did not begin as a dream, it arrived as an accident and quietly altered the direction of his life. Today, the man who once drove an auto on Bengaluru's streets is among the country's most recognised stunt choreographers. Having made his directorial debut with Rustum, he is now stepping in as producer with the crime drama *Rakkasapuradhol*, which is set to release on February 6.

Looking back at his entry into films, Ravi Varma still finds the journey surreal, especially as he prepares to see one of his most personal projects reach audiences.

"I cannot call it luck. It was accidental. I was driving an auto when my brother told me a film unit was looking for fighters. I went there without much thought. Once I entered this field, I never stepped back."

Stunt choreography is widely known as one of cinema's most dangerous departments. "Nothing in my career was planned. When cinema came into my life, it was mainly about survival. But slowly, opportunities kept coming. I made sure I used each one of them fully. Destiny kept pushing me forward," he says.

A major turning point came when actor Darshan gave him his first big break. Over the years, Ravi Varma's work expanded across Kannada, Telugu, Tamil, and Hindi cinema, exposing him to varying filmmaking scales and production cultures.

"Cinema remains the same everywhere, but the working pattern changes," he explains. "In Kannada cinema, we sometimes complete a fight sequence in six days. In Bollywood, we might get 20 days for the same work. While budgets are bigger there, the challenges and responsibilities also increase. Safety becomes a much larger priority."

Among his many projects, Ravi Varma credits Sangolli Rayanna and *Border 2* as career-defining experiences.

"*Krantiveera Sangolli Rayanna* was a historical film that demanded authenticity. My latest work in *Border 2* involves intense war and gunfire sequences. These films taught me discipline and precision," he says.

After establishing himself as an action director, Ravi Varma ventured into direction with Rustum and is currently directing a Bollywood project starring Nawazuddin Siddiqui. The shift, he admits, transformed his understanding of cinema.

"As an action director, I had built a strong identity and travelled across languages. Direction felt like the next step. But once I directed my first film, I realised how difficult the job truly is. A director must understand all 24 crafts of filmmaking. It requires patience and total involvement. My respect for directors doubled after that experience."

Now, with *Rakkasapuradhol*, made underKN Enterprises banner, Ravi Varma adds producer to his growing list of roles. The decision, he says, was driven by both creative belief and gratitude towards the industry

"I wanted to give an opportunity to debutant director Ravi Saranga, who has travelled with me and earlier worked with Prem. When he narrated the story, it felt unique. He had clarity about the cast and technicians. I felt this story deserved to be made with the right support, and I decided to produce it."

The film also brings together a strong technical team, something Ravi Varma considers one of its biggest strengths. With Ravi Saranga directing the film, Prem has extended his support to the project and has even sung the Siddaya song. The dialogues are written by Kranthi Kumar, cinematography is handled by William David, production design is by Mohan B Kere, and the music is composed by Arjun Janya. Ravi Varma, who doubles up as the film's action director and producer, says the collaboration is deeply personal.

"They have all come together out of friendship and belief in the film. I am genuinely happy and grateful for that support," he says. For Ravi Varma, producing also stems from a personal philosophy shaped by Kannada cinema's legacy.

"This industry has given me everything. I always remembered Dr Rajkumar's words about giving back to cinema. I kept thinking about how I could contribute. Producing films felt like the right step."

Despite being known for large-scale action, Ravi Varma emphasises that *Rakkasapuradhol* is primarily story-driven.

"For many years, action was mainly used for hero elevation. Today, action has become part of storytelling. Films like *KGF*, *Salaar*, and *Pushpa* show that audiences enjoy action when it blends with narrative. In *Rakkasapuradhol*, the story leads, but you will still see my signature action style," he says.

The film stars Raj B Shetty in the lead, a casting decision Ravi Varma describes as instinctive.

"When we imagine a police officer, we usually think of physical strength. But there are also intelligent officers. This story needed that balance. Raj B Shetty immediately felt right. He is also a filmmaker and understands storytelling deeply. Once he accepted the script, I felt confident about taking the film forward as a producer. He worked on the project as if it were his own."

Set partly in the mid-1990s, *Rakkasapuradhol* blends crime with psychological tension. Ravi Varma says the film features a few carefully designed action sequences that remain rooted in character and narrative.

"There are about three major action portions in the film. They are designed around the character rather than just spectacle," he says. Despite completing over 25 years in cinema, Ravi Varma shows little sign of slowing down. The evolving language of action continues to motivate him.

"Am I satisfied as a stunt director? Not at all. Every new generation of filmmakers brings fresh ideas. Action keeps evolving with vision. There is always something new to explore," he says.

When asked if he considers himself an expensive stunt choreographer, Ravi Varma responds with quiet confidence.

"I do not know if I am costly. Cost depends on quality. Sometimes delivering the best action requires bigger investment. If people call me a white elephant, I am fine with it. I always fight to give the best possible action," he signs off.

Jessica Chastain and Chris Pine to lead *This Is Pleasure*

CE FEATURES

JESSICA Chastain and Chris Pine are pairing up for a new film titled *This Is Pleasure*. Based on Mary Gaitskill's novella, the upcoming film will be directed by Shari Springer Berman and Robert Pulcini. The duo earned an Oscar nomination for the 2003 comedy drama, American Splendor, and have also directed episodes of Fleishman Is in Trouble, Succession and Only Murders in the Building.

This Is Pleasure centres on Margot, played by Chastain, as her close friend Quin (Pine) is accused of misconduct. Their friendship is in a state of limbo as she is confused and is forced to decide whether loyalty, forgiveness or truth will define their long-lasting friendship. The book was critically acclaimed upon its release in 2019 and was appreciated for providing a nuanced take on the MeToo movement.

Nenapugala Maathu Madhura set for release this week

CE FEATURES

NENAPUGALA Maathu Madhura, produced by Red & White Seven Raj and directed by Afzal, is gearing up for its theatrical release on February 6. Structured as an anthology, the film weaves together four stories centred on four friends. Director Afzal says the narrative blends multiple genres, including murder mystery, horror, and comedy, while also reflecting certain contemporary aspects of youth life.

Afzal has handled the story, screenplay, and dialogues, in addition to helming the project. The film features cinematography by Swami Mysuru, music by Raju Emmiganuru, editing by Karthik Eshwarachari, and background score by Devaraj Kushtagi.

Afzal also appears in a key role in the film, with producer Seven Raj playing another important character. The ensemble cast includes Vasishta Bantanuru, Ranveer, Rajaprabhu, Vinay, Anjali, Soumya, Rekha Ramesh, Shubha Teertha, Vadhya, Gubbacchi, Aravind, and Nagendra Aras.

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CINEMA WITHOUT **BORDERS**

In this weekly column, the writer introduces you to powerful cinema from across the world

Film: **Josephine**

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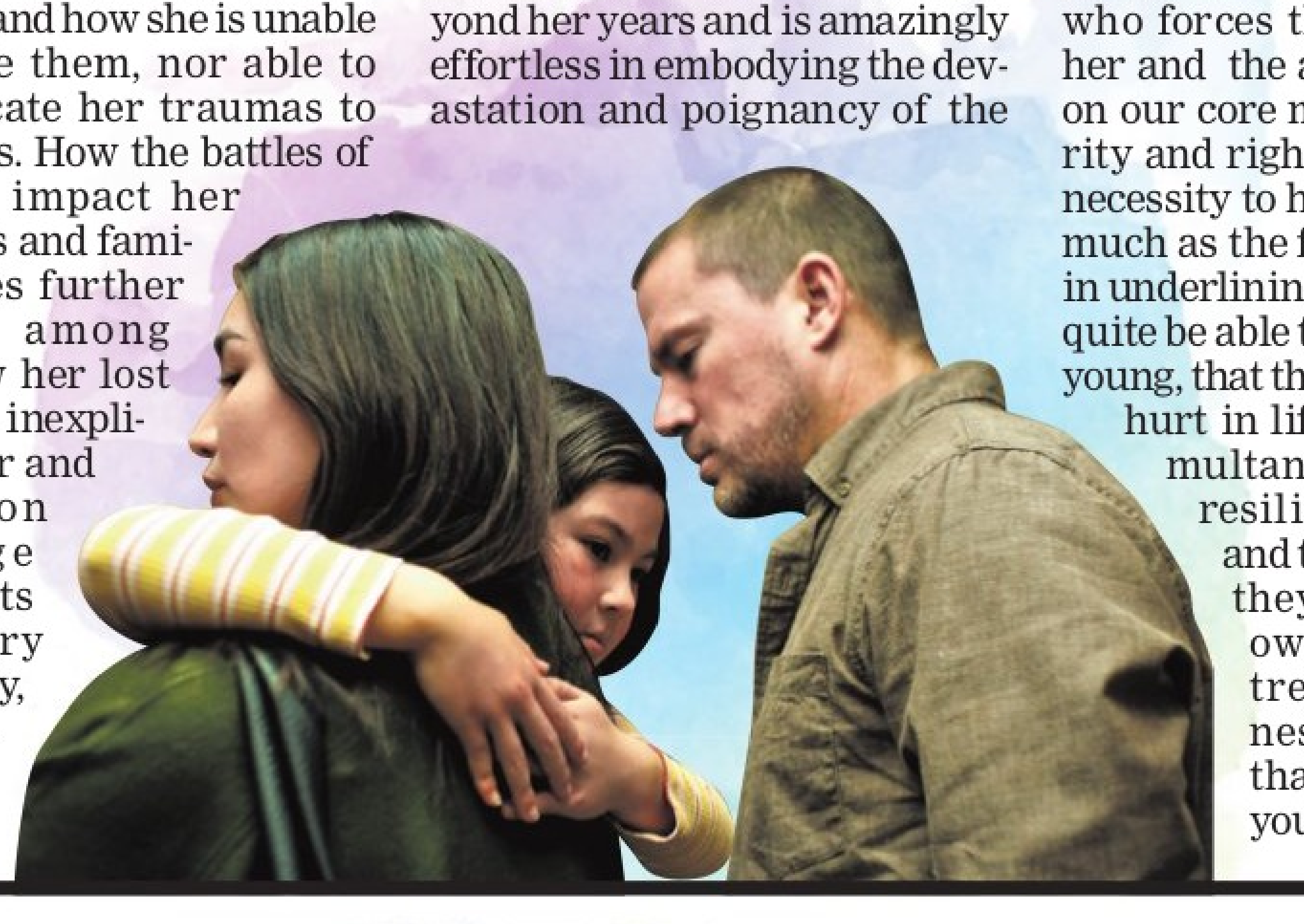
IT takes a mere second to change our world. Beth de Araujo's second feature film, *Josephine*, brings one such moment of real-life horror alive on screen. A Sunday morning run to the Golden Gate Park with her father, Damien (Channing Tatum), flips over eight-year-old *Josephine*'s (Mason Reeves) normal, sporty, soccer-driven childhood. She becomes an accidental witness to a violent assault on a woman that shatters her innocence, puts her safety at stake, leaves her battling her fears and confusions even as she grapples with the not-quite-clear and unformed ideas of crime, justice, punishment and redemption.

Josephine had its world premiere in the US Dramatic Competition section of the recently concluded Sundance Film Festival, in which it won both the Grand Jury Prize and the Audience Award. It goes on now to compete this month for the Golden Bear at the Berlin International Film Festival. Araujo's script is as complex and layered as it is compassionate in diving into the heart and soul of *Josephine*, her parents and the situation they find themselves in. But the nuances are relayed with simplicity and directness. Araujo pivots things on *Josephine* and narrates things largely from her point of view. How she perceives the act of violation, from the inability to understand its enormity to the curiosity and many misunderstandings about adult behaviour that it leads to. How the ghosts of that terrible moment keep lingering on and haunt her, and how she is unable to exorcise them, nor able to communicate her traumas to her parents. How the battles of her mind impact her friendships and families creates further conflicts among them. How her lost innocence, inexplicable anger and aggression challenge her parents as they try desperately, and unsuccessfully, to help and protect her. There's no flawlessness to parenting; it's more a trial-and-error driven by powerlessness.

Be it Gemma Chan as *Josephine*'s protective mother Claire, Syra McCarthy as the survivor Sandra or Philip Ettinger as the offender Greg, the entire ensemble acts in perfect unison. However, the film belongs to Channing Tatum and Mason Reeves. Tatum is exceptional as *Josephine*'s devoted, agonised father. The pint-sized Mason Reeves carries the film on her slender shoulders in the titular role. She is present in almost every single frame and is the force that propels the narrative. Reeves, who shot for the film when she was seven, has gravitas and eloquence far beyond her years and is amazingly effortless in embodying the devastation and poignancy of the situation. Like Araujo's writing, Greta Zozula's cinematography is also centred on *Josephine*. Her visuals help turn the workings of *Josephine*'s mind tactile. Also, in keeping with the empathetic spirit of the film, she frames the vulnerable girl with rightful tenderness and care. She is equally a responsible artist in presenting the ghastly act for what it is, neither leaving it totally to the audience's imagination, nor pandering to the voyeur in them. Seen through the cherubic *Josephine*'s angelic eyes, it evokes abhorrence, dismay and dread.

Josephine, both the character and the film, embody the emotional, ethical and philosophical values that are fast vanishing in contemporary times. The little girl is the conscience keeper, who forces the adults around her and the audience to reflect on our core moral codes, integrity and righteousness and the necessity to hold on to them. As much as the film is devastating in underlining how adults won't quite be able to fix things for the young, that they are bound to get hurt in life, but there's a simultaneous hope in the resilience of children and the confidence that they will sort their own pain. A film of tremendous grimness, grit and grace that refuses to leave your heart and mind.



THE DIRECTOR SPEAKS ABOUT HIS LATEST, THE1970S-SET FILM SARALA SUBBARAO, STARRING KRISHNA AJAI RAO AND MISHA NARANG, WHICH IS SLATED FOR FEB 12 RELEASE

Sarala Subbarao celebrates love in its purest form: *Manju Swaraj*

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DIRECTOR Manju Swaraj believes stories from the past carry emotions that never fade. With Sarala Subbarao, a romantic drama set in the 1970s, he revisits a time when love was expressed with restraint, depth, and innocence. The film, starring Ajay Rao and Misha Narang, is scheduled for release on February 12, coinciding with Valentine's Day.

Speaking about the film, Manju Swaraj says the story itself drew him to the project. "*Sarala Subbarao* is set in the 1970s and is based on a novel by Triveni. Films adapted from her works have always found success in Kannada cinema because her stories are deeply emotional and relatable. This story is rare and explores love in a rooted and organic manner," he says.

Recreating the era authentically was one of the biggest challenges during production. "We wanted audiences to feel like they were travelling back in time. A major portion of the film was shot in a heritage house in Mysuru that carries nearly a hundred years of history. The location itself became a character. Every frame was designed to reflect the mood and texture of that period," he explains.

The director is confident about the film's emotional connect. He believes the teaser, songs, and trailer have already built strong interest. "The response to the trailer has been overwhelming. It reassures us that audiences are open to simple yet emotionally strong stories," he says.

Casting played an important role in shaping the narrative. Ajay Rao was chosen for his familiarity with the romantic genre. "Ajay fits naturally into this world. He brings sincerity to his performance. Since the story is set in a period before his birth, he prepared extensively to capture the body language and behaviour of that time," Manju Swaraj notes.

A still from the film

Introducing Punjabi actor Misha Narang as the female lead was another conscious choice. "We wanted a fresh presence, and Misha suited the character perfectly. She adapted well to the language and emotional tone of the film," he adds. The film also features a strong supporting cast including Rangayana Raghu, Veena Sundar, Sri, Raghu Ramanakoppa, and Vijay Chendoor.

Music plays a key role in reinforcing the nostalgic mood. Composer Ajaneesh Loknath has scored the soundtrack, with cinematography by Pradeep Padmakumar and editing by Basavaraj Aras. "The technical team has worked carefully to preserve the authenticity of the period," he says.

Crediting producer Lohith Nanjundayya for trusting his vision, the director says, "His belief in the story helped us present the film with the right scale."

For Manju Swaraj, *Sarala Subbarao* captures a softer and emotionally richer phase of relationships. "Love unfolded differently in the 1970s. There was patience and subtlety. That is what we wanted to recreate," he says.

With the release coinciding with Valentine's Day, he hopes the film connects with audiences across generations. "This is a film families can watch together. It celebrates love in its purest form," he signs off.

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